



Knights of Columbus

Blessed Sacrament Council 11001

April 2009

Grand Knight's Corner

Brothers, we are now entering the home stretch of our fraternal year. Our Lenten meals are done for another year, and I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your support. This is our biggest project of the year, and your efforts helped to once again make it a rousing success. The turnout was phenomenal, and I really appreciate all your effort. Thanks again!

Be sure to check the calendar for our upcoming events, including the Major Degree exemplification on April 13th, Tootsie Rolls the weekend of April 18-19, roadside cleanup on May 9th, and our second annual Council Appreciation Dinner on May 16th.

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Treasurer's Report:

The balance in our checking account is \$7306.80. Our savings account balance is \$4063.16.

Drawing:

Gene Birkel won \$100 at last month's meeting. You too could be a winner. See you at this month's meeting!

2nd & 3rd Degree:

For those of you who are 1st Degree members, I urge you to take your 2nd and 3rd Degrees at our Major Degree exemplification on Monday, April 13th. We will have a dinner beginning at 5:30 p.m. in Kraemer Hall. Candidate registration will begin at 6:00 in the meeting room. The 2nd Degree will begin at approximately 6:15, with the 3rd Degree to follow immediately afterward.

4th Degree Exemplification:

The Bishop Kucera 4th Degree Assembly invites all 3rd Degree Brother Knights to join the 4th Degree. The 4th Degree is the patriotic arm of the Knights of Columbus. The next 4th Degree exemplification will be on Sunday, May, 3rd, at Blessed John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. Candidate sign-in will begin at 1:15, with the degree exemplification beginning at 2:00. If you are interested in moving up, please contact Tim Hindman or Don Cunningham (dscunningham@windstream.net) as soon as possible.

Council Rosary:

Join us to pray the Rosary together next Wednesday, April 8th, before our general meeting. We will be meeting in Kraemer Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Lenten Blood Drive:

From now until Easter our council will be holding a Lenten blood drive. What more appropriate way to prepare for Christ's sacrifice on the cross, where He shed His blood for us, than to give the gift of life for others? Contact the Community Blood Bank at 486-9414 or visit their web site at www.don8bld.org to schedule an appointment. Be sure to fill out a "Count Me In" card when you go in to credit your donation to our council. Family members, fellow parishioners, friends, and neighbors are all welcome too!

Welcome!

Please join me in welcoming our newest members, Dennis McCaugherty and Dominic Gappa, who made their 1st Degree on Wednesday, March 11th, at Blessed Sacrament.



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Field Agent's Corner

Retirement Income Options:

However you wish to structure your personal retirement savings, the Knights of Columbus has a plan for you.

Our flexible premium annuity allows for deposits as your budget allows. You can make contributions as frequently or infrequently as you wish, and you'll always earn a competitive rate of interest and enjoy the tax-deferred accumulations that an annuity provides.

Another option is our single premium deferred annuity. That's right — you can obtain a safe, secure retirement annuity for a single deposit. What could be easier? Make one deposit, let it collect interest on a tax-deferred basis until you reach retirement age, then have the opportunity to receive an income off those funds that you can never outlive.

For those who are at or approaching retirement age, our single premium immediate annuity may be for you. With a single deposit, you can immediately begin receiving an income that you can never outlive, while earning a competitive rate of interest on invested funds.

Finally, for those who have more substantial funds to invest in their retirement, the newest addition to our portfolio is our VANTAGE Single Premium Deferred Annuity. With a single deposit of \$25,000 or more, you can lock in an interest rate for five full years (tax-deferred, of course), with some very flexible options once the five-year term expires.

Every K of C annuity comes with a variety of settlement options that will meet virtually every retirement income need. You may elect to receive a monthly income for a specified period of time. You may elect to receive a monthly income for life (there's the "income you can never outlive" that I mentioned earlier), or a joint lifetime monthly income (payable jointly to you and

another person, usually your spouse). Under this option, when one of the joint recipients dies, the survivor will receive a monthly sum — for life — equal to two-thirds of the amount paid while both were alive.

As your professional Knights of Columbus agent, I can tell you more, and will be happy to help you begin to secure a comfortable, worry-free retirement. Call me.

Manny Gallardo

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Council Elections:

The trustees have proposed the following slate of for the 2009-2010 fraternal year. Nominations will remain open until elections at the May meeting.

- Grand Knight Tim Hindman
- Deputy Grand Knight.....Clem Pella
- Chancellor Tim Sullivan
- Recorder Jerry Kruger
- Treasurer Tom Lowery
- Advocate Lou Gasper
- Warden Paul Dion
- Inside Guard.....Charles Beardslee
- Outside Guard Erich Broer
- 1-Year Trustee Kevin Ostdiek
- 2-Year Trustee Mark Main
- 3-Year Trustee Rich Lowery

April Birthdays:

Happy birthday to the following Knights who are celebrating during April:

- Greg Colombe 4-12
- John Nickolite 4-17
- James Rayer 4-19
- Matthew Stegman 4-25
- Jerry Klien 4-26
- Christopher Wadle 4-27
- Fr. Brendan Kelly 4-30



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Dues Notice:

Dues notices went out in January for the New Year. If you have not paid yours yet, please send them in as soon as you are able. Thank you!

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Lincoln, NE 68502

4th Degree Dues:

Many Brother Knights have their wives handle the checking accounts and the wife pays the Knights of Columbus dues. However, your wife may not understand that there are dues for the council and dues for the 4th Degree. A second notice will soon be mailed out to Sir Knights who have not paid their 4th Degree dues for 2009. Please explain to your wife that there are council dues and 4th Degree dues, both separate billings, and to keep your membership current in the 4th Degree, to mail in the 4th Degree dues to either Mike Wernke or Bill Bradley. And thank your wife for her paying your dues.

Annual dues for the 4th Degree are \$15 (\$25 if you are a member of Chalice Club).

Mike Wernke
2000 N 59th St
Lincoln, NE 68516
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Bill Bradley
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Good of the Order:

Please keep the following in your prayers:

- For the repose of the soul of Jane Wells, mother of Cal Wells, who passed away on March 7th, and for her family.
- Fran Kucera, who is in Tabitha.
- Levi Dybdal, grandson of Erich and Jan Broer, who is undergoing cancer treatments.
- Fr. Lawrence Gyhra, who is suffering from terminal cancer.

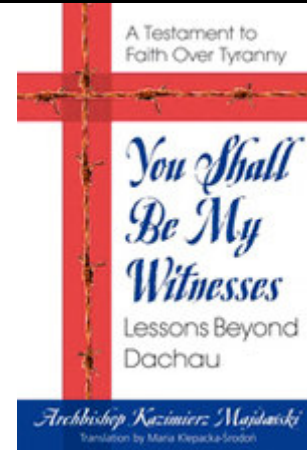
Knight of the Month:

Joe Erion

Family of the Month:

Tom and Vivian Lowery

Supreme Knight's Book Club



The April Book Club selection is *You Shall Be My Witnesses: Lessons Beyond Dachau* by Archbishop Kazimierz Majdansk. Most people know that the Polish Jews were quickly gathered for the purpose of extermination, but few are aware that a similar fate awaited the Polish clergy. *You Shall Be My Witnesses* by Kazimierz Majdansk, who later would become an Archbishop of Poland, is intended as a witness to the author's own prison experiences during the years of World War II. But this book does more than detail Hitler's war against the faithful. It asks us to look forward to see where civilization is headed. Most important, it prompts us to choose not the civilization of death, but the blessing of the God of life. Go to the Supreme Web site (www.kofc.org) and click on "Supreme Knight's Book Club" to find out more or to order your copy.



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Help Us Help You:

If you are receiving this newsletter in the mail and have access to e-mail, please send you e-mail address to Tim Hindman (th42820@windstream.net). Not only will

you be saving our council money for postage, but you will also make it easier for us to effectively communicate with you in a timely manner.

Important Web Sites:

Supreme: www.kofc.org
 State: www.nebraskakofc.org
 Council 11001: www.nebraskakofc.org/kc11001

Calendar of Events

Date	Day	Time	Item/Location
4/8	Wed.	7:30 p.m.	General Meeting – Kraemer Hall
4/12	Sun.		Easter Sunday
4/13	Mon.	5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	2 nd & 3 rd Degree – Blessed Sacrament School Supper – Kraemer Hall Candidates register – Meeting Room
4/18-19	Sat/Sun		Tootsie Rolls
4/18	Sat.		Lector / Acolyte Retreat
4/19	Sun.	After Mass	Coffee and Rolls – School Gym
4/19	Sun.	2:00 p.m.	First Communion (Honor Guard report at 1:30)
4/22	Wed.	6:30 p.m.	Make Rosaries with 2 nd & 5 th Grade CCD Classes – Kraemer Hall
4/24-26	Fri-Sun.		State Convention – Kearney
5/2	Sat.	9:00 a.m.	Marian Hour of Prayer (after 8:30 Mass)
5/3	Sun.	11:30 a.m. 1:15 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 4:45 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	4 th Degree Exemplification – Blessed John XXIII, 37 th & Sheridan Meeting / Election of Officers Candidate sign-in Degree Exemplification / Ladies Program Knighting Ceremony Social Dinner Program
5/6	Wed.	7:15 p.m.	CCD Mass (Honor Guard report at 6:45) (Bible presentation to 8 th graders after Mass)
5/6	Wed.	8:00 p.m.	Officers Meeting – Meeting Room (NOTE TIME CHANGE DUE TO CCD MASS)
5/9	Sat.	8:00 a.m.	Roadside Cleanup (meet at Lee's Chicken, Coddington & Van Dorn)
5/12	Tues.	7:00 p.m.	8 th Grade Dinner / Bible Presentation – K of C Hall, 60 th & South
5/13	Wed.	7:30 p.m.	General Meeting – Kraemer Hall
5/16	Sat.	7:00 p.m.	Council Appreciation Dinner – Blessed John XXIII, 37 th & Sheridan