



Knights Corner



FATHER SCHUMAKER COUNCIL NO. 6772
BROOKLYN CENTER, MN

ST. ALPHONSUS PARISH,
March 2012

Grand Knight's Message:

Dear Brother Knights and Families,

HAPPY EASTER! I may be a little bit early on the Happy Easter, but I wanted to make sure to wish everyone a Happy Easter. It is that time of the year for the tootsie roll drive, and the election of new officers. Anyone interested in being an officer for the new year let me know.

As always I remain yours in Christ.
Craig Solarz

NOTICE

ON MEETING CHANGES

March 1st meeting will be after ladies auxiliarians potluck. So please go to the CSSR room to check on the meeting location.

April 5th meeting has been moved to April 12th because April 5th is Holy Thursday.

Please mark your calendars for the changes.



FATHER BRAD BALDWIN'S ARTICLE

.Greetings to all my Brother Knights and your families, and best wishes for a healing and prayer filled beginning to your Lenten Season on February 22.

In a homily proclaimed during the 1990's, Pope John Paul II had this to say to an audience on Ash Wednesday: "As members of the laity, you are called to take an active part in the sacramental and liturgical life of the Church, especially in the sacrifice of the Eucharist. At the same time, you are called to spread the gospel actively through the practice of charity, sacrifice, reconciliation, and involvement in catechetical and missionary efforts, according to the gifts that each one has been given."

My Brother Knights, I pray that each of us will keep these words in a place where we will see them each day, such as our desk, inside our car, or on the bathroom door, to name a few places. These words remind us of our vocation; but, they also provide us with a wonderful prayer to begin this Season of Lent: "Gracious and loving God, help me in this Lenten Season of 2012 to better discern my role in the life of the Church, how I can better live the Holy Gospel, and the particular gifts that will lead others to a more effective living of the gospel. We ask this Christ our Lord. Amen!" If we are willing to take a serious look at our Lenten promises, then I would suggest that the words of our Holy Father could help strengthen those resolutions.

In other words, what are our goals for Lent 2012, and how can they help us build up our families, the church, and each other? Please keep these words close to your eyes and your heart, now and throughout the Lenten and Easter seasons. In closing, I offer some practical questions that I hope will help us begin our discernment: "Do I willingly volunteer, if someone needs my help? Do I participate in the Eucharist, as often as I can? Do I choose friends that help me live my faith? Do I pray and write each day, in my prayer journal? Do I read the lives of the saints? Do I try not to complain, if life does not go my way? Do I take advantage of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and do I periodically read Scripture?"

And finally, do I believe that God is working in my life, even when it feels like He's not there? Happy New Year and Happy Lent to you all, and know that my thoughts and prayers are with you, that this New Year and Lent may find us more faithfully and more effectively living the gospel each day. Please keep me in your prayers as well. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely Yours in Christ, Fr. Bradley C. Baldwin, T.O.R.

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From the Editor:

The newsletter deadline is the 15th of each month. If anyone has information to be published, Please feel free to mail it to me at 2001 Whitewater Trl. BP, MN 55444 or e-mail it to simon.f@usfamily.net . THANKS

POSTER CONTEST WINNERS

21 participants
Marian Hall Acohol
Joshua Cannon Drug

Each received certificate and \$20.00

ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS

24 participants
1st Place Tony Guzdkiwicz
Rec'd cert & \$50.00

2nd Place Sonia Chavez-Mesa
Rec'd cert & \$20.00

HONORABLE MENTION

Kourtney Shermoen
Matt Theisen
Each Rec'd a cert & \$5.00

We **thank** all the students who participate, the school in supporting the contest, and all the individuals involved with the judging and all the other participants involved in making the program a success,

Remember in your Prayers



Fr Brian Gilles
Sandy Dunn
Tadd Petersen
Jan Wojtysiak
Sylvia Kramer
Kitty Carson
Missing Bro Knight Jim Heil & wife
Fr Will Lowery

And for others we may have missed and need our prayers.

CARDS SENT TO

GET WELL



Jim Rath
Orville Hanken
Mary Watson
Cheryl Roberge
Carol Bowman

SYMPATHY

May he/she rest in peace

Joseph Janseen

If you know of someone who may benefit from a card, contact Simon Fehn at 763-560-3971 or simon.f@usfamily.net

Live On” or “Leave On” Money

As your working life progresses, your priorities will likely shift. Many major life events (weddings, births, education costs for children, etc.) are probably behind you. Your focus shifts to those “golden” retirement years when you can enjoy your hobbies, grandchildren, travel or simply relax at home.

During my career as a field agent, I’ve had members ask me what they should do with a sum of money they are looking to “dump” somewhere for safe keeping. First, I tell them that there is no safer place to put their money than with the Knights of Columbus. No one has ever lost money using our retirement products. There are no risks assumed by you, the members. Second, I ask the member a question: Is this money to “live on” or “leave on”?

I ask this because the answer makes all the difference. If you (con’t on page 3)

PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBER, **AARON BOWMAN**, CONGRATULATIONS

FREE THROW CONTEST

We had 32 participants for St Al's. The winners are noted below. The first group are from St Al's. 2nd group are from the District. Please congratulate them. We thank all who

Girls		Boys	
Age	name	Age	name
10	Shay Lodermeier	10	Davis Branham
11	Kelly Opat	11	Jack Snee
12	Anna Coleman	12	Dylan Dubuque
13	Patricia Gibson	13	Tyler Santos
14	Julia Goamn	14	Andrew Lyons

The following winners is the 2nd group District

Girls		
Age	name	Church & Council
10	Shay Lodermeier	St Al's 6772
11	Kelly Opat	St Al's 6772
12	Anna Coleman	St Al's 6772
13	Michaela Brands	St Vincent 9139
14	Heather Burt	St Joe the worker 13001
Boys		
Age	name	Church & Council
10	Davis Branham	St Al's 6772
11	Bennett Otto	St Vincent 9139
12	Dylan Dubuque	St Al's 6772
13	Jack Dugan	St Vincent 9139
14	Joey Gunderson	St Joe the worker 13001

Live On” or “Leave On” Money

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want a guaranteed flow of cash in retirement, one of our annuity options might meet your needs. If this money is intended as a gift

for grandchildren, to assist your wife in the event of your passing or to give to your favorite charity, a Single Premium Whole Life policy might be the best product.

When it comes to decisions about your finances and your family's future, don't leave things to chance. Discuss the options with a brother Knight who knows how to help. Someone who's helped many other Catholic families not too different from yours. Someone who can offer you life insurance, long-term care, disability income and retirement products backed by the 130 year history of financial strength and security. There is no more highly rated insurance provider in North America than the Knights of Columbus. Protection provided by Brother Knights for Brother Knights and their families.

Call me today to set up a time to meet. You'll only regret that you didn't call sooner.

I'm at 612.743.6659 or at jo-

Fourth Degree Article

News From Nicollet Assembly and the Fourth Degree

We are rapidly approaching the statewide semiannual premier event of the Assembly Year, when the Minnesota Fourth Degree stages the Spring Exemplification weekend. The Exemplification is the highpoint of a full day of ceremonies, which include celebration of Mass, Hospitality rooms, the 4th Degree Ladies Luncheon, and a Formal Evening Banquet. Yes, we wear our tuxedos for the whole day which, in this day of standard informal attire, generally brings a new level of class to the location of the event. This year we will be at the St. Cloud Kelly Inn and Convention Center, on the weekend of April 21st. While most who attend the event chose to make a weekend of it and book overnight accommodations, many Candidates and 4th Degree members from the Twin Cities will simply drive 60-90 minutes up Hwy 10, and spend the day. How about you? Are you ready for 4th Degree? We're ready for you, but you need to contact one of us, so we can make this a special day for you and your wife.

Nicollet Assembly will host a 4th Degree Information Night on Monday, March 19th, for all interested Candidates and their wives. Call or email me for time and location. Don't wait!! Speak to one of us.....today!

STEP UP TO FOURTH DEGREE

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**Knights
Corner**

**Membership Meeting, 7 PM
First Thursday of the Month
St. Alphonsus School Cafeteria**

**Planning Meeting, 7 PM
Third Thursday of the Month
St. Alphonsus CCD Building
St. Clement's Room 4111-71st Ave. N.**

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SPECIAL DAYS

- Mar 2 World Day of Prayer
- Mar 11 Day light saving time starts
- Mar 17 St. Patrick's Day
- Mar 19 St. Joseph Feast Day
- Mar 20 First Day of Spring
- Apr 1 April Fool's Day
- Apr 6 Good Friday
- Apr 8 Easter
- Apr 16 Income Taxes Due
- Apr 22 Earth Day
- Apr 25 Admin Professional Day

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KC Ladies Auxilians Article

We invite you to join the Ladies Auxilians for the 6:00 PM Mass at St Alphonsus on Thursday, March 1. Immediately after mass in the CSSR Hall we are having a pot luck meal where everyone is invited to partake. If you have an idea or suggestion for activities you would like the ladies to do/participate - -we would appreciate hearing about it. See you Thursday evening, March 1. If you have questions, you may call Gert at 763-561-2552.

Have a Blessed Lenten Season

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Dates to Remember

Mar 1 Membership Meeting NOTE. WE WILL HAVE OUR MEETING AFTER THE POT LUCK DINNER location will be announced at the potluck

Mar 1 Ladies Auxilians Mass & Pot luck meal.^ 6 PM See details in Ladies Auxilians Article above.

Mar 15 Officer's Meeting 7 PM Faith Formation

Bldg, St Clement's room

Apr 12 Membership Meeting 7 PM School Cafeteria. **NOTE THE MEETING DATE CHANGED. IT CONFLICTED WITH HOLY THURSDAY**

Apr 19 Officer's Meeting 7 PM Faith Formation Bldg, St Clement's room

Apr 27 to 29 Tootsie Roll Drive please reserve some time in your schedule to help. Details in April's newsletter