



Knightly News

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**Council Meeting is
August 5th**

Grand Knight Report

Brother Knights,

Man the summer is flying by and the Sweet Corn Festival is going to be here before we know it. Sometimes I feel so overwhelmed with things going on in my life that I almost forget to take time to count my blessings and thank God for my families and friends who mean so much to me. I count all of you Knights as my friends and extended family. So you get double blessings - May God Bless each of you and your families.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you to welcome our new Associate Pastor, Father Don Hertges. I spoke with him this last Saturday after Mass and he informed me that he is a 3rd Degree Knight. I will be speaking with him about becoming our Chaplain. We also need to work on getting him into the 4th Degree but that will come in time.

We recently started our new 4th Degree Assembly named after Msgr. Francis L. Sampson. He was Paratrooper Chaplain in the 101st Airborne and was a highly decorated Veteran and Hero. We will be having a meeting on Monday July 27th @ 7:00 PM at John XXIII in Fairfax. We will be having our official initiation ceremony in August.

I would like to conclude my report with a Prayer that I found while looking up Msgr. Francis Sampson on the internet (<http://paratrooperprayers.tripod.com/id2.html>)

Dear God, your ancient prophet has told us that, "...they who wait for the Lord Shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, and they shall walk and not faint." (Is 40:31) Flying on the wings of eagles is exhilarating. It is the running and the walking that are difficult. Teach us to wait upon you so that we might yet run the race of life, and walk the path of faith in true service to you and all humanity. Amen.

Source LTC Douglas Carver 101st Airborne

Vivat Jesus!

Jay Fields~ Grand Knight

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Special points of interest:

-Family of the month:
For July: Mike McElmeel family for multiple family members helping during BBQ Round-up. Thank you to the entire crew, we appreciate your time!

-Knight of the month:
For July: Jess Streif for stepping in when a cancellation happened at the last minute to help with the BBQ Round-up. Thank you Jess, we appreciate your help!

Enjoy the Festival!

BBQ Round-up Thanks!

We would like to send another **BIG THANK YOU** to all of the people that helped work at the BBQ Roundup. Here is a list of people who worked at the BBQ Roundup.

Knights with children: Bob and Kim Perkins; Mike, Jade and Tara McElmeel and a Friend of the Girls; Mike, Kathy and Kara Toczylowski; Dan and Joshua Rouse

Knights with wives: Dick and Paula Street**; Maurice and Gloria Kouri; Steve and Tammy Anderson; Donald and Wanda Sanderson; Fred and Janelle Wilcox; Jay and Donna Fields; Steven and Shelly Bell; Tom and Connie Podzimek; Jerry and Marnee Mackey; Chris* and Barb Zaugg

Knights: Mark Seber**; Alvin Kriegel; Jerry Haeg*; Matt Pithan; Ed Sevick; Dennis Czook; Dave Jeffery*; Tom Auterman; Jeff Freilinger*; James Dvorsky; Alvin Kriegel; Blaine Miller; Kurt Kinion; Larry Berns*; Mike Kadlac; Rich Coates; Lane Prochnow; Michael Graeve; Gregory Meglic; Bernard Nachazel; Jess Streif

Knights' wives: Rhonda Tang; Bonnie Yount*

Knight and wife from area Council: Steve and Carol Kadlec

St. Jude Parishioner: Cindy Toale

We would also like to thank the wives and husbands for watching the children and letting their spouses help work this event.

* People who worked more than one shift.

** People who worked all weekend long.

Chris and Barb Zaugg

4th Degree Installation of Officers

You are invited to witness the installation of officers for the NEW Msgr. Francis L. Sampson 4th Degree Assembly. This assembly will consist of members from St. Jude and John XXIII parishes as well as Fairfax.

The date is August 23rd at St. Jude church at 5:00 pm. Dinner is available for a small cost (yet to be determined). Dress is formal please. Come out and tell the officers what you would like to have the assembly do for socials and projects. We want this assembly to be the kind you enjoy being a part of. For more information contact Nick Volk 846-2633 and tell him you will attend.

Jim Nieman

Faithful Navigator

BBQ Round-up Thanks!

My fellow agent in Cedar Rapids (Dave Albee) and I will be hosting a Long Term Care Seminar on Aug. 27th at 7:00p.m. The location will be determined at a later time. If interested please call me and get signed up so we know how many will be in attendance.

DIE TO WIN?

Someone recently said to me, "Why should I buy life insurance? It only has value if I'm dead." I thought I would use my column this month to share my answer to him with you:

"Hold on a minute." I said. "Did you just say that it only has value if you die? I know we are both in a hurry, but take just a moment to listen to me.

"First of all, that's simply not true. You see, we suggest that every member of the Knights of Columbus own permanent, cash value life insurance. Unlike term insurance, which carries an expiration date and is meant to cover a temporary need, permanent insurance lasts a lifetime. I can see in your eyes that you're thinking that somewhere, somebody told you something bad about permanent insurance. Look at me. I wouldn't lie to you.

There is nothing bad about permanent insurance. There is nothing bad about it being there and having value when you die. To be brutally honest, that's the whole point. I enter into the sale of life insurance based on an assumption that the person I am dealing with loves his family. That assumption leads me to the conclusion that you don't want your final act on earth to be leaving them in a difficult financial position. I hope I'm right about that.

But to your point: Permanent life insurance, in addition to providing a death benefit, builds value. In your case as a 45 year old man in excellent health you could buy a \$100,000 whole life policy with a disability waiver rider. When you are 70, for example, this policy, as illustrated today, including non-guaranteed dividends, would have a cash value of nearly \$76,000. You would have paid in premium a total of \$43,486 and we would have available to you nearly \$76,000. Nice, huh? And you're alive!

So, you decide to take these values and provide yourself with a retirement income. The policy will pay you, guaranteed every month, \$542. While you're alive.

Call me today. I want to hear from you. I'm at 389-5454 or mike.toczykowski@kofc.org.

Mike Toczykowski-Field Agent

Are you ready for some Iowa Football????

Hey Iowa Football fans! This one is for you...Come help the Knights with a fund raiser and enjoying watching the game from within the confines of Kinnick Stadium!

Our assignment is to help with taking tickets before the game and at half-time as well as one quarter assigned by the gate supervisor. Any other time you are allowed to watch the game from near your area. We are asked to wear black pants, black shoes and a white shirt. A jacket will be given to you on arrival to complete the "uniform".

Please contact Blaine Miller at 654-0050 if you are interested in helping out. Watch for more details in next month's newsletter. First game is September 5th!

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August 2009

Aug. 5	Council Rosary	6:30 PM	Chapel
Aug. 5	Council Meeting	7:00 PM-8:30 PM	Parish Center
Aug. 14-16	Sweet Corn Festival	All Day/Each Day	St. Jude Grounds

September 2009

Sept. 5	Iowa Football	11:05 am	Kinnick Stadium
Sept. 9	Council Rosary	6:30 PM	Chapel
Sept. 9	Council Meeting	7:00 PM-8:30 PM	Parish Center
Sept. 10-13	Tootsie Roll Drive	All Day	Various Locations
Sept. 19	Iowa Football	2:35 pm	Kinnick Stadium
Sept. 30	Blood Drive	2:30-8:00 pm	Parish Center