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Knights of Columbus Newsletter
Council 9096 Apple Valley, MN
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Upcoming Events

4/5 Easter Bingo at 6:00pm
4/5-4/6 Raffle Sales after masses
4/13 Pancake Breakfast
4/30 Deadline for High School Scholarship
5/17-5/18 Von Hanson's Hot Dog Stand

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Brothers,

As we move through the season of Lent and prepare ourselves for the resurrection of our Lord, I have been reflecting on the words of our motto, "Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori", meaning "Time flies, remember death". These words remind me that time is fleeting, and it is my duty to use it wisely, living with virtue and in service to our families, communities, and faith.

As time passes, we are reminded by our motto not only of our mortality but also of the opportunities we have to live out our faith and values. Each day is a gift — a chance to serve others, to grow in virtue, and to deepen our relationship with Christ. Our Council encourages all members to take time this Lent for spiritual renewal and to make the most of each day.

There are many opportunities this spring to serve our communities through our council activities. I challenge every member to volunteer for at least one of the events that include Easter Bingo (April 5), Tootsie Roll Sales (May), Von Hanson's (May 17 & 18), and Cinnamon Roll Sales.

In addition, as we turn the corner toward the last quarter of our fraternal year, there are several brothers the council needs for a role next year starting in July. These opportunities include the need for a Chancellor, Deputy Grand Knight and Membership Director. Both the Chancellor and Deputy Grand Knight move up to be a future Grand Knight, but both are lighter roles intended to help learn the role. The membership director leads efforts to bring in future Knights and also is not a big-time commitment. Please prayerfully consider these opportunities and speak to me if you have questions. To keep our level of support activities in future years we need to have leaders for our council.

The wonderful gift coming to us after lent is the Risen Savior on Easter. This promise reminds me of our order's other motto of "Vivat Jesus", meaning "May Jesus live!" We help Jesus live through our care for each other and our service to others. Thank you, brothers, for helping Jesus live through your work through the Knights!

Vivat Jesus!
Tim Blodgett, Grand Knight

KC Apple Valley/Risen Savior Council 9096
Meeting Minutes
March 18, 2025

- **Meeting called to order by Tim Blodgett at 7:37 pm**
- **Opening Prayer Fr. Mathew delivered opening prayer**
- **Pledge of Allegiance Tim Blodgett. Done**
- **Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes (motion required) Tim Blodgett. Seconded and approved**
- **Chaplain's Message Fr. Matthew**
    a. **Lent is his favorite season and calls all of us to be more present in our faith.**
    b. **Encourages us to participate in more activities. (e.g. Lenten liturgy on sin)**
    c. **Suggests a "Cook out at the rectory" for both us and Latino council. Great chance for us to mingle with our Latino Brothers.**
    d. **Is thrilled with our council's collaboration to his point.**
    e. **Requests help from us ushering and parking attendants at 1pm Easter Mass. Want to make sure we are not in violation of fire code. People park on street.**
    f. **Mentioned that we are the 10th largest parish in the diocese and one of the biggest Latino ones.**
- **Introduce Guest(s) if any Welcome new member Dave Hutton. Unfortunately, Dave's wife is sick so he could not make it.**
    a. **March with Mary https://marchwithmary.com**
        i. **Allen (Lakeville) and Justin (Faribault) from All Saints Parish shared a presentation with photos of past parades.**
        ii. **March with Mary offers an excellent chance to showcase Catholicism and enhance our visibility. It is not a charity, and the website, https://marchwithmary.com is the best place for information.**
        iii. **The march honors Jesus by presenting Mary to the community through a solemn procession which includes distribution of roses to mothers.**
        iv. **The rose, from Holy Mother Mary to other mothers, give them a connection to Mary, often eliciting emotional responses.**
        v. **Mary's statue marched in parades 10 times a year**
        vi. **Anyone can March. You don't need to be a Knight .**

- **Grand Knight's Report Tim Blodgett**
    a. **Fraternal Year 26 Leadership Volunteers Needed since our good friend, Cameron, is relocating and will be stepping down from his duties.**
        i. **Chancellor.**
        ii. **Deputy Grand Knight**
        iii. **Membership Director**
- **Treasurer's Report (NO motion required) Steve Lorenz**
    a. **Update checks disbursed and account balances**
    b. **YTD Status vs budget. Checkbook as of February was $7,089. There were lots of deposits so ended March with $12,508. Money Market at $20,590. Several Paypal / Venmo / credit card transactions have been made from parishioners, so that is working.**
    c. **Bills not previously approved (unbudgeted) for approval (motion required)**
- **Financial Secretary's Report Andy Howard**
    a. **Membership Status – 101 Associates, 46 insurance only, and 5 inactive. 1 member moving to Osseo. Duane G. obtained lifetime award. We have 3 new members but will probably fall short of our goal of 9.**
    b. **Unpaid Dues Status (2025) – No due updates.**
    c. **Affiliate Member Status-**
- **Membership Report – Tim Blodgett.**
    a. **Plan for Ministry Minute and recruiting at masses. Working with Kevin on this.**
    b. **If you have people who want to join, send them to www.Kofc.org/join/ is all that it takes. They will need your member number (or mine 4568533) and our council number 9096. The free membership code is blessedmcgivney (not case sensitive).**
- **Program Reports Chuck Woodward**
    a. **Life Terry McCall. No report this month. Terry's wife going through some medical challenges. Please pray for them.**
    b. **Faith Jerry Kuennen. Next Rosary is Sunday March 30 at 10am in the chapel. Deacon Randy's**

grandfather surgery went well. Say a prayer for him.

c. **Community Bill Rabe**
   i. **Easter bingo is on April 5th and will start after the 4pm mass around 5:30 - 6pm.**
   ii. **Dropped top card from $25 to $20. Kept $15 cards as is.**
   iii. **Need volunteers to show at 5:30pm.**
   iv. **The Thursday before, at 2pm, meats will be delivered, and Bill needs help with that.**
   v. **Bill sent sign-up sheet around for volunteers. Need 15 people. Remember this is a good fundraiser for the council.**
   vi. **BJ said to order 20# of hotdogs because we usually run out. Extras can be used at the cookout.**

d. **Family/Council BJ Bertram**
   i. **Scholarship application forms from 4/1 to 4/30.**
   ii. **We distribute the award at high school senior mass on 5/17.**
   iii. **BJ will publish date in newsletter when he finds out the date of Van Hanson's fundraiser**

- **Other Reports**
  a. **Event Chairs Updates last held events; status of upcoming events (if any) and need for volunteers**
     i. **Easter Bingo – April 5 – Bill Rabe**
     ii. **Pancake Breakfast March 16 review, Volunteers needed for April 13– Cameron Hoppe – Had the best breakfast crowd of the year last weekend.**
     iii. **Cinnamon Roll April ? - Terry McCall Dates will be in newsletter.**
     iv. **Tootsie Roll Sales Date?** – **Phil Sterner was not here. Updates next meeting.**
     v. **Von Hanson's May 17/18 – BJ Bertram**
  b. **Fourth Degree – Meeting same Walk with Mary presentation**
  c. **Insurance –**
  d. **District Deputy Steve Lorenz -**
     i. **Ticket sales are 3/23-24 and 4/5-6 and still have a lot of tickets. Decided to sell after the Latino masses**
     ii. **Chuck and Steve will be attending stage convention on 5/17-18. Unless someone else volunteers, they will be our delegates.**
  e. **Other/Miscellaneous -**
     i. **Dan Hindes was instrumental in making 122% of our membership goal last year.**
     ii. **Was decided to donate $500 to Deacon Randy.**
     iii. **Keep Bill Kelly, Terry's wife and Dave Hunting in your prayers.**
     iv. **Consider attending Jesus Christ Superstar on Good Friday and Palm Sunday.**
  f. **Closing Prayer: Fr. Mathew lead closing prayer**
- **Motion for Adjournment at 8:40pm**
- **Next Meeting: 4/15 Rosary 7:00pm, Business meeting 7:30pm**

Monthly Meeting Refreshment Schedule
Monthly Meeting is conducted in the Risen Savior Church
Bays 1 & 2 on the Third Tuesday of each Month Rosary 7pm, Meeting at 7:30 PM

Effective Date: July 1, 2024

KC Meeting Date	*Name*	*Telephone Number*
April 15, 2025 Tuesday 7:30 PM	Cary Kangas	612-437-9333
May 20, 2025 Tuesday 7:30 PM	Bill Rabe	612-940-2792
June 17, 2025 Tuesday 7:30 PM	Jerry Kuennen	952-200-6364

Your Refreshment Guidelines:
-$60 Monthly Refreshment Budget (Please bring receipts to KC Meeting for reimbursement).
-Use your own cooler.
-Bring 20 to 24 Beers, 12 Pop, and 4 Water.
-Bring snacks to share such as peanuts, chocolate, crackers, cheese, etc.
-The refreshments and snacks that are not consumed are yours to take home
-Our KC Newsletter will list the person responsible for the monthly refreshments.
-If you cannot fulfill your monthly assignment, please contact another Knight on the schedule.

April 5th Easter Bingo

On Saturday, April 5th at 6pm the Knights of Columbus will hold our annual Easter Bingo event at Risen Savior in Resurrection Hall. During the event we hold 30 Bingo games and several alternate games of chance. Prizes include cash, along with full-sized turkeys and hams. Attendees get the opportunity to enjoy the games, concessions, time shared with the community, and the company of family and friends.

If you'd like to help with this year's event please contact Bill Rabe at 612-940-2712 or email w.rabe@frontier.com

April 13th Pancake Breakfast

The Knights will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast on April 13th in Resurrection Hall. A freewill offering of $5.00 will be the suggested donation. These events are important gathering times for our Parish community. No one is turned away for inability to donate. Generous donations from attendees have not only covered all the food and other supplies, but also allow our council to support scholarship programs, seminarians, Coats for Kids, other activities that benefit our community. If you have one or two hours to donate to these causes, please consider volunteering to help with one or more pancake breakfast.

If you'd like to volunteer, please reach out to Cameron Hoppe cameron.hoppe@gmail.com or Tim Blodgett tblodgett@yahoo.com.

Knights Raffle Fundraiser for Senior Scholarship

The Knights of Columbus are selling raffle tickets to raise money for the High School Senior Scholarship fund. The price is $10 each. Tickets will be sold Apr 5-6 after all masses, English and Spanish. If you'd like to help with this effort, please reach out to Steve Lorenz Steve.Lorenz65@gmail.com.

Knights of Columbus High School Senior Scholarship

If you know a Risen Savior High School Senior, please let them know about the $1000 scholarship being sponsored by our Risen Savior Knights of Columbus Council. The scholarship is based upon Extra Curricular participation in School, on the bulletin board in the church entrance area. The application deadline is April 30, 2025 (Wednesday). If you would like an Excel Electronic Application Form that will automatically add your volunteer hours, please email your request to B. J. Bertram at bertram60@msn.com.

The scholarship will be awarded at the May 18 Risen Savior High School Senior 9:00 AM Sunday Mass. Over the last 39 years, our council has awarded 88 scholarships to the Risen Savior High School Seniors.

If you have any questions, please contact B. J. Bertram at (952) 435-8461 or at bertram60@msn.com.

May 17th and 18th KC Von Hanson Hot Dog Stand Weekend

Our Apple Valley Risen Savior Knights of Columbus Council will be running the Von Hanson's Hot Dog and Brat Stand on the weekend of May 17th and 18th. The stand is in the Apple Valley Shopping Center north of County Road 42 and Cedar Avenue. On Saturday the stand is open from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM and on Sunday the stand is open from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. **Bring your family and friends to enjoy a delicious Hot Dog and/or Brat. The proceeds will be used to fund scholarships for our Risen Savior High School Seniors.**

If you would like to join your fellow Knights volunteering for an enjoyable 2- or 3-hour shift, please call B. J. Bertram at 952-435-8461 or email him at bertram60@msn.com. B. J. will let you know what shifts are available because your fellow Knights are already signing up. If you have any questions about this event, please contact B. J. Bertram at 952-435-8461 or at bertram60@msn.com.

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Are you on track to reach your financial goals? Are you unsure how to begin setting those goals?

As your agent, I'm dedicated to helping you find the right insurance solutions, no matter your stage of life. Whether you are in your working years with young kids, living paycheck to paycheck, or knocking on the door of retirement, I'm excited to help you protect what matters most and build financial security with insurance-based solutions tailored to meet your priorities.

The first thing to consider is whether your family would be financially taken care of if something happened to you. Would they struggle to meet the mortgage payments or to pay off other debts?

Term life insurance can be an affordable option to give you protection in case of the unexpected. You'll also have the option to convert to a permanent plan in the future without additional underwriting. Terms and conditions may apply.

Second, start preparing for retirement, no matter how far away it may seem. The Knights of Columbus offers annuity solutions to help provide you with retirement income you can't outlive, guaranteed.

Finally, disability income insurance. For many men, regardless of their phase in life, protecting their income is their greatest financial need. What would you do if you were no longer able to work? Don't overlook how disability income insurance may be able to help you.

I understand that your financial needs are not just unique but change over time. I'm here to help you find the right solutions today and to walk with you as your insurance needs evolve. If you have any questions, please come chat with me and we can schedule a time to meet.

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From the Past Grand Knight

Have you paid your dues? Maybe you have not done so, for whatever reason. Maybe you are right now too busy to be involved with our council but know that you still support our council by paying your dues. Your dues are part of our budget. Your dues help keep our outreach programs going. So, if you have not paid your dues, please due so. Just contact Andy Howard, andy_hcpm@yahoo.com, If you are presently in a difficult situation, please contact Andy.

Our Brother Knight, Joe Andreszcuk is nearing the end of his life and needs our prayers. Please also pray for his good friend and caregiver, Richard Garmer. You may remember Joe as the guy on the portable scooter at some of our meetings and at Mass. Also, Richard, the caretaker of both Joe and Hercules (the service dog that went everywhere with them, including Mass), needs our prayers during this very difficult time.

Dan Hindes, Past GK

Build the Man Spiritual Opportunities

The greatest of all the opportunities is the weekly ability to take some time to drop in and visit Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, on Fridays from 930am (after the 9am Mass) to 7pm. In the last hour at 6pm there is a Holy Hour with Benediction.

Of course, there is our pre-meeting Rosary usually at 7pm.