



Knights of Columbus
Council 9096
Apple Valley, MN
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February 2013

Upcoming Events

- **02/17/13 Sunday 930a-1230p**
Pancake Breakfast
Contact Jim Sowada 952-432-9378
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- **3/2/13 KC Dinner/Bingo Night**
6pm @ Risen Savior
Contact BJ Bertram 952-435-8461
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- **03/17/13 Sunday 930a-1230p**
Pancake Breakfast
Contact Jim Sowada 952-432-9378

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Grand Knight Report – by Bob Brotzel

Brother Knights!

Keep in your prayers the Supreme Court ruling Roe vs. Wade legalizing abortion on demand even through the entire nine months of pregnancy. Pray that people make the right choices and our society demands us to do the right thing.



On Sunday, January 27, 2013 I visited Saint Mary Magdalene Parish in Gilbert, Arizona where I witnessed our Brother Knights, Council 13779 sponsoring a father/daughter dance by selling tickets to this event as a fund raiser. Another example of the great work Knights do around our country.

Have you recruited anyone? Please continue and if you find a candidate refer him to Bob Hansen. Bob's phone # [952-892-5231](tel:952-892-5231). From now through June 30, 2013 Supreme will credit \$9.00 to our council for each new member recruited.

Have you paid your membership dues yet? If not, please send them to Andy Howard ASAP. Thank You!

Our next monthly meeting is Tuesday, February 12 and our next pancake breakfast is February 17, 2013

I hope this newsletter has found you in good health and spirit.

God Bless and be safe.
Grand Knight
Bob Brotzel

Notes from the January 9, 2013, meeting—

1. Pete Herold, a speaker for the Pro-Life organization, gave us a presentation of the work that is being done at the Pregnancy Choices facility in Apple Valley.
2. Grand Knight, Bob Brotzel, indicated the following:
 - The council basketball free throw competition will be held at Risen Savior on January 9 at 6:00 pm.
 - A Major Degree will be held on February 2 and is hosted by the Osseo/Maple Grove council.
3. B.J. Bertram, council chairman, indicated the following:
 - The T-shirt orders are due no later than March 15
 - The Casino Night will be held on March 2 at Risen Savior. Bingo will be played.
4. A March 9 KC bingo event will be held at Risen Savior where prizes will be hams.
5. Dan Thompson, our KC insurance field agent, will give us a presentation prior to the February meeting.
6. Make an effort to thank the business establishments who place an advertisement in our newsletter when supporting their business.
7. Keep all individuals in need of healing in your prayers.

Please Note: Our meetings will be held in the lower level in Feb. & Mar. due to the Lenten Prayer Series at 6:30pm on Tuesdays in the bays.

Guest Speaker: The Guest Speaker for our February 12th meeting (7:15pm) will be - our KC Insurance Field Agent, Dan Thompson, informing us of the available life and long-term care insurance, IRA's, and annuities.

March 2 Knights of Columbus (KC) Dinner & Free Bingo Night

Our KC Dinner and Games Night has been a favorite event for many years and this year it will be **SATURDAY, March 2, 2013 starting at 6:00 PM in the Risen Savior Basement.** It's a great way to beat Winter Cabin Fever and enjoy a Dinner and Free Bingo Games with your fellow KC members and wives/guests. Social Time starts at 6:00 PM with dinner being served at 7:00 PM. The Bingo Games will run for approximately one hour starting at 8:00 PM. KC members are encouraged to bring prospective new KC members and wives/guests. Refreshments, Lasagna, and Garlic Bread will be provided free of charge by the KCs. Please bring a dish to share. Wives/guests will receive a free gift from Bath&Body Works. Prizes will be given to the winners of the Free Bingo Games. Dress is casual with women usually wearing slacks and men usually wearing khaki type pants. If you have any questions, please contact B. J. Bertram at (952-435-8461).

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FROM OUR KC INSURANCE FIELD AGENT – Dan Thompson

Dear Brother Knights and Families,

Thank you to all who I've had the opportunity to meet with during my first few months as your Insurance Advisor. As your Field Agent, I am required to visit with you briefly to complete a fraternal survey and to review and update your family service record. If you haven't yet heard from me...expect a phone call. If you need my assistance before that, please either call me at 651-434-2460 or email at daniel.thompson@kofc.org

My thought for this month: Insurance check-up for 2013

Where did 2012 go? It seems like it was summer yesterday and Easter was last week. I hope you and your family had a great finish to 2012. Now, the first quarter of 2013 is speeding by. Hopefully, you've established a few goals for this year. I've learned a great tip regarding resolutions. First, write them down. It's not too late if you haven't already done this. Commit your goals to paper and post it someplace you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it. I don't know exactly how this works, but I've heard stories of the success this simple task can bring. Whether your goal is to exercise more, give more to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down. Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. I recommend that you have a team of experts help you, and I should be among the first you sit with. Schedule some time to visit with me, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, and I'll provide an "insurance check-up" (at no cost!) that will quickly identify any gaps in your family's life insurance program. And you'll want to fill those gaps now, not later. Unlike many other products, you don't just need money to obtain life insurance; you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change. Did I mention my check-up is free of charge? When was the last time you received something for free that could be providing value to you and your family for generations? Contact me today to schedule a meeting. You'll only regret that you didn't call sooner.

All the good that the Knights of Columbus has done, is doing and will do, is a direct result of the vision of our Society's Founder: "Knights of Columbus...an organization where brothers care for brothers."

Vivat Jesus!

Dan Thompson
Field Agent
Knights of Columbus

New Feature: “Did You Know?” (As space permits)

In 2012 our council contributed \$7,749 to Church, Community, Pro-Life and Youth causes?!

In 2012, based on surveys from only 1/3 of our members, our council:

- Made 537 visits to the sick
- Made 92 visits to the bereaved
- Had 18 blood donors
- Had 7 participants in humanity projects
- Volunteered 3136 hours for Church
- Volunteered 1276 hours for Community
- Volunteered 2400 hours for Youth
- Volunteered 871 hours for other/miscellaneous causes
- Contributed 939 hours of service to sick/disabled members and their families

Again, these hours of service are only what we know from the returned survey forms. Surely there are even more! This is truly a group of Knights in service to others!

KC WEAR: As in past years, our Knights of Columbus Council is in the process of ordering maroon caps, short & long sleeve Cotton T-shirts, and short & long sleeve Polo Shirts. This year we are offering new maroon clothing options: short & long sleeve wicker wet T-shirts, sweatshirts, and long sleeve wrinkle free dress shirts. An ordering form was sent to you along with your Knights of Columbus 2013 Membership Fees Notice. The ordering deadline is March 15, 2013 and you will be contacted in April telling you when and where to pick up your order. You may also receive an ordering form by emailing B. J. Bertram at bertram60@msn.com or calling him at (952) 435-8461.

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