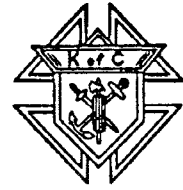


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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

It is with mixed emotions for me to step down as Grand Knight. My term ends June 30, 2009. Over the past two years we have increased our membership thanks to the efforts of Bob Layne, Membership Chairman and Dom Ramirez, Recruitment Chairman. At the same time with the help of Rich Baltrus, Financial Secretary who worked closely with me. We were able to suspend several Knights who wanted to leave our organization.

Some newer members became involved with the Council almost immediately. Such Sir Knights like Mike Kabala, Church Director and Bill Gardner, Program Director have done outstanding work.

I had the benefit of class officers on my staff during my term, with the support of: Brian Fisher, Deputy G.K. - Recorder, Mike Wysocki - Pete Marx PGK, Treasurer - Ron Fisher, Advocate and Vocations Chairman (he gets involved in everything) - Trustees, Ken Collins PGK, Joe Matlon PGK, John

we have Bob Blake PGK, who comes to my aid, particularly, when we hold a First Degree. Finally, Phil Pastere and Del Angel who work the 50/50 and Newman Donations. A special thanks to Del who volunteered to be Co-Chairman for the Tootsie Roll Drive.

To say "thank you" to the Columbian Ladies is not enough for all they did monetarily and by participating in a number of events sponsored by us (such as St. Ann's Hospitality Sunday) farewell to Fr. Mark, Memorial Mass for our deceased Bothers and Sisters of the Columbian Ladies, just to name a few.

Kudos to Dennis Sullivan and Tim Studer for their week in and week out teaching and training of our Special Olympics Swim Team.

I apologize to anyone I may have left out. They say the top of the pyramid is a lonely place and it can be; but with the foundation of Brother Knights, I was fortunate enough to have, I never felt alone. Thanks to all who helped make my two years as Grand Knight an enjoyable and memorable one.

Congratulations to the newly elected and appointed officers for the Fraternal Year July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010.

Baron PGK - Lecturer, Mike S. Collins and his Dad - Guards, Keith Betton, Mike Kabala, Dom Ramirez, Gene Pope, Eugenio Sanchez, Tim Studer. My first year as Grand Knight, I had two Knights that got me off to a good start, Joe Matlon PGK, Church Director and Ken Cuprisin PGK, Program Director and Mentor.

I would be remiss not to mention our Warden, Mike Damore who treats us to his humor when he does the "Good of the Order." Then

Rich Czarnecki, Grand Knight

ADMIRAL GALLERY

On May 28, the Fourth Degree Club had their election.

Officers are:

President - Rich Czarnecki

Vice President - Joe Matlon

Financial Secretary - Ron Fisher

Treasurer - Rich Baltrus

Trustees - Ken Collins, Bob Blake and Ken Cuprisin

The next Meeting is August 27.

Upcoming Step Outs:

6/14/09 .. 20th Anniv. Fr. Fred

St. Ann - 12:30 Show, 1 p.m. Mass

6/14/09 .. Corpus Christ

St. James, Sauk Village - 4:30 p.m., 5 p.m. Mass

6/16/09 .. Install Council Officers - 6:30 p.m., 7 p.m.

6/21/09 .. Anniv. Fr. Illafonce

St. Francis Motherhouse - 10:30 a.m., 11 a.m. Mass

9200 St. Francis Rd., Frankfurt, IL

**For WAKE CALLS, contact
Ken Collins at (219) 322-8847**

CLERY NIGHT

by Mike Kabala, Church Director

I would like to personally thank everyone that attended the 57th Annual Clergy Night on Wednesday, April 22, 2009.

A big crowd showed up to enjoy a night of fellowship, fun and entertainment. A wonderful family-style dinner was served to go along with the evening's festivities. Clergy from our surrounding parishes, as well as our own Fr. Fred Pesek, were on hand to be honored on their night. I hope all had a great time, as I sure did.

I would like to personally thank the Columbian Ladies of our Council who helped me make this night possible. Also, for their donations of all the centerpieces that were given away to a lucky winner at each table. My deepest thanks also goes out to my lifelong friend, Ms. Sara Murray, who put together the invitations and programs, which came out magnificent. Thanks to my fellow Sir Knight Dominic Podsiadlik and his wife, Laura, for helping me at the door.

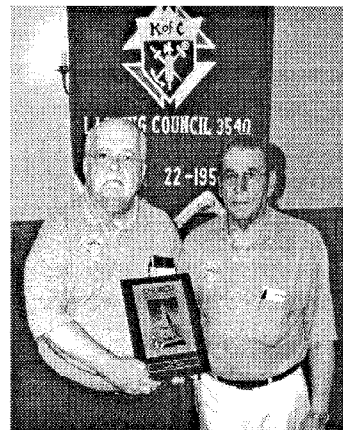
I am looking forward to next year's Clergy Night with much optimism. Thanks again to all who attended and hope to see you all again with your friends, for the 58th Annual Clergy Night.

COLUMBIAN BOARD ELECTION

At the September Council Meeting there will be a re-election of three board member chairs.

To run in this election you must be an active member willing to donate time to assist in running the Columbian Club and attend the Columbian Board Meetings, which are held once a month.

COUNCIL AWARD



On Saturday, May 23, Lansing Council won a program award at the State Convention. Lansing Council was presented with the #1 Church Program Award.

The Program was for the relocation of the Council Crucifix, which was removed from the grounds when the land was sold. The Crucifix was renovated as an Eagle Scout Project by Scout Dominic Podsiadlik and relocated to the east side of St. Ann Church.

It has been seven years since the Council won a program award. The Award will be hung proudly at the Council.

SLATING COMMITTEE

Please congratulate the newly elected officers from our June Council Meeting, for the 2009 to 2010 term.

Grand Knight - Brian Fisher

Deputy Grand Knight - Ronald Fisher

Chancellor - Robert Layne

Recorder - Michael Damore

Treasurer - Peter Marx

Advocate - Michael Wysocki

Warden - Dom Ramirez

Trustee's - 3 year - Rich Czarnecki PGK

2 year - Ken Collins PGK

1 year - Joe Matlon PGK

Inside Guard - Tim Studer

Outside Guards - Roger Tyderek & Dominic Podsiadlik

COME AND CELEBRATE

The 20th Anniversary of the Priesthood Ordination of Father Fred Pesek, Jr., Sunday, June 14 at 1:00 p.m. at St. Ann Parish Church for a Mass of Thanksgiving.

A reception will follow afterwards. There will be a Step Out, with a 12:30 p.m. show for all interested Knights.

**For Fourth Degree Stepouts, call
Rich Czarnecki 708-755-0248**

LANSING KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COLUMBIAN ROOM Restaurant

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At the June Council Meeting, our Grand Knight Rich Czarnecki passed out the Yearly Awards.

The recipients were:

- Knight of the Year - Mike Kabala
- Senior of the Year - Dennis Sullivan
- Family of the Year - Brian Fisher

From the Desk of the FINANCIAL SECRETARY

My Dear Brother Knights:

Allow me to brake away from the format that I have been using for almost the past three years. Soon you will be receiving a letter from me on a project that I was asked to chair. Sometimes one has to have two hats. This project is very important to the existence to our Council and one of the fundamentals of our order. This project helps support our Church, our Schools and our Community, as well as,

Our Council Sick

Please keep all our members and ladies in your prayers as their health is failing and we must intercede in prayer for them.

Our list includes: Jerrie Bond, Bill Mitchell, Helen Bobalich, BK Gus Landeroz, BK Michael Cernyar, Grace Mary Cernyar, Mary Rita Davis, Debra Ray, Pat Nowakowski, James Danielwicz, Al Rogers, Bob Mendez, Louise Kopaczewski, Jose Cabrales, Harold and Mary Ware, BK Gene & Martha Pope, Raymond Kuzynski, Sr., BK Roy & Anita Rodriguez, John Ponziano, BK Don & Linda Szala, Joan Fisher, Adeline Collins, Daina Wolak Tonry, and Eugene Rose.

If you have someone you want added to the Sick List, please call Grand Knight Rich Czarnecki (708) 755-0248 or Deputy Grand Knight Brian Fisher (219) 864-8380.

our families and the youth in our area. For the youth of today is our future.

Therefore, we are asking for your support. We need your help on this important project. I, along with our Grand Knight Richard P. Czarnecki and our Grand Knight Elect Brian Fisher, wish to thank you for your participation in this very important event.

To any Brother Knight who wishes to get in touch with me, I have established an e-mail address (finsec3540@sbcglobal.net). I would like to thank all the Brother Knights who have sent their e-mail addresses in. Until next time, *Vivat Jesus!* ...Richard A. Baltrus, FS

"SUMMER NIGHTS" AT THE LANSING KC'S

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Upcoming Events

JUNE

15th *Monday* Columbian Board Mtg. 7:30 p.m.
16th *Tuesday* Lansing Knights Installation of Officers. .7 p.m.
17th *Wednesday* Stritch Officers Mtg. 8:00 p.m.
22nd *Monday* Columbian Ladies Mtg. 6:30 p.m.
28th *Sunday* Council Golf Outing 11:30 a.m. (I think)
30th *Tuesday* Knights Officer Mtg. 8 p.m.

JULY

1st *Wednesday* Stritch Mtg.. 8:00 p.m.
7th *Tuesday* Knights Council Mtg. 8:00 p.m.
15th *Wednesday* Stritch Officers Mtg. 8:00 p.m.
20th *Monday* Columbian Board Mtg. 7:30 p.m.
27th *Monday* Columbian Ladies Mtg 6:30 p.m.
28th *Tuesday* Knights Officer Mtg 8:00 p.m.

AUGUST

4th *Tuesday* Knights Council Mtg 8:00 p.m.
5th *Wednesday* Stritch Mtg 8:00 p.m.
15th *Saturday* Cheese Burger in Paradise
17th *Monday* Columbian Board Mtg 7:30 p.m.
19th *Wednesday* Stritch Officers Mtg 8:00 p.m.
24th *Monday* Columbian Ladies Mtg 6:30 p.m.
25th *Tuesday* Knights Officer Mtg 8:00 p.m.
27th *Thursday* Admiral Gallery Mtg 7:30 p.m.