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4527 DATEBOOK

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- 4 ROMEO Luncheon - 11 - 2
- 4-7 Jesuit Retreat House in Oshkosh -
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- 4 KC Ladies Annual Lenten Mass and
Lunch - See Article - Page 5
- 11 Membership Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- 17 **HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!**
- 18 ROMEO Luncheon - 11 - 2
- 22 Officers' Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
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- 29 Birthday of the Knights of Columbus

APRIL

- 1-4 Holy Week
- 2 **GOOD FRIDAY**
- 4 **HAPPY EASTER!**
- 8 Membership Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:



Brother Knights and Ladies:

As March arrives we all hope that spring is close behind. We look forward to the return of our snowbird members and the start of golf season. Happy St. Patrick's Day to all.

We held a first degree at our January business meeting. David Craig, Tam Phan and Jordan Wintrode joined our Council. In addition Keith Thompson transferred to our Council. Welcome gentlemen, our Council offers many great opportunities for involvement in Church, community and family activities.

At our February membership meeting we held a Chili/Euchre night. Over 30 members and guests were in attendance. Thanks to Paul Steinmetz and his crew for a great chili meal and to Joe Daniels for organizing the card tournament. Karl Kellor was our Euchre champion. Congratulations Karl.

Our March membership meeting on the eleventh will be a fraternal benefits night. Our field agent Tom Luchi will be at the meeting to discuss the many programs offered by the Knights of Columbus to its members. The insurance program is a cornerstone of the Order. Plan now to attend this informative meeting.

The Council will be electing officers at the May business meeting. We will be beginning the process of formulating the slate of officers for consideration by the Council. Please consider an officer position, it is a great way to serve the Council and is a very rewarding experience. If you have an interest in becoming an officer, please contact me or any of the current officers.

Fraternally,

Michael J. Mach
Grand Knight

NOTES

*Remember to give the gift of life
... "Give Blood."*

Don't forget to mail your dues and raffle tickets to the Financial Secretary, Dan Kelly.

Please notify the Clubhouse and/or the newsletter editor (Bob McDonald) when you know of a Brother Knight or spouse who should be placed on the sick list. Also, notify him when there has been a death in the family of a Knight member or the death of a Knight.

Material for the newsletter is due by the 10th of the month.

THINK SPRING

Ground Hog Day is past and Spring is around the corner. Plan ahead for the Pre-Antique & Plant Sale on Memorial Day Weekend.

Start saving items for the sale. If they cannot be saved until May, let us know and we will move them to the KC Hall.

Are you planning to have a Garage Sale in May? Would you like to sell plants for the KC's. If so, let us know. Arrangements will be made to provide plants for the sale.

Can you help divide plants during the month of April. Plans are being made to have work days for this event. Please let us know and we will find a job for you.

If there are questions, contact Paul Bariola at 273-0369 or e-mail at ark65@charter.net.

KC 4527 BIRTHDAY BOYS - MARCH 2010

Reven Marshall	3/01
Kenneth McCormick	3/01
Richard Hendricks	3/02
Richard Goedjen	3/04
Eugene Kruska	3/06
Thomas Simmons	3/08
George Rauch	3/09
Jeffrey Kingston	3/11
Daniel Kelly	3/13
Robert Brown	3/15
Robert Meyer	3/15
Kent Barlow	3/16
Brian Elliott	3/17
Richard Hamilton	3/18
David Craig	3/19
Toimothy Muldowney	3/21
Francis Murphy	3/21
Philip Rotar	3/22
Jack Sprague	3/23
Ted Losby	3/24
Robert Steck	3/28
Jerome Rather	3/30
Robert Stangel	3/30



Mike Mach (left) presenting January Knight of the Month award to Eugene Buechner (right)

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REMINDER - FREE BROWNIE POINTS

As we all perhaps know, our Brother Knight Jim Flad provides clothing mostly to needy men young and old - those perhaps down in their luck - those perhaps indigent - those certainly needy - and such. If you've helped at Luke House, you know what the author means. There's a true cross section of need out there!

Thinking that we are predominately adult males, what better group to provide Jim with our used or new (but clean) clothing of all types. With the cold weather upon us, please go through your wardrobe and get your too small trousers, flannel shirts, sweaters and outerwear for men (and young adult lads) by calling Jim at 833-5472.

Your reward - you're guaranteed a few free brownie points, so go for it NOW.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord, give your Church dedicated men and women to serve as priests, sisters, deacons and brothers. Help them spread your Word and show your love, so that all people may know your name. And guide me, Lord, that I may love you more and serve you faithfully all my life.

Amen.

IN MEMORIAM

HAROLD BERG

Brother Harold Berg passed away on Sunday, January 24, 2010.

Harold transferred into our Council in January of 2005. He held numerous positions as an officer and committee chairmen during his five years in Madison. This includes Deputy Grand Knight, Lector, Membership and Pro-life Chairmen. Harold also saved us money on the new carpet for the Clubhouse. He loved to play poker with the other brother Knights at ROMEO's. Harold's creative ideas and opinions will be missed by the officers of this Council.

Our prayers and condolences go to his wife Delores, his nine children and his extended family and many friends.

He will be missed and remembered by his friends in the Council.



L - R - David Craig, Tam Phan and Jordon Wintrode - Keith Thompson (not pictured) transferred to our Council

COUNCIL 4527 GOLF LEAGUE

There has been a change in the officers for the Golf League. They are as follows:

President: Rico Goedjen - 238-1418

Secretary: Tim Bergen - 222-2602

Treasurer: Tom Wildenborg - 271-6913

As usual, the league will start the last Wednesday in April. Think spring!

FEBRUARY & MARCH CONCESSION ACTIVITIES - 2010

WIAA State Wrestling - Kohl Center - Booth #126
February 25-27

WIAA Boy's Basketball - Kohl Center - Booth #126
March 18th - 20th

WIAA Girl's Basketball - Kohl Center - Booth #126
March 25th - 27th

Help is needed for all events. For more information, call Paul Bariola @ 273-0369. Thank you!



Don't wait, act today

When your family is hungry, you see that this need is taken care of quickly. You don't put it off until tomorrow, you act immediately to the best of your ability. As a provider to your wife and children, your responsibilities are great and your time is spread thin. It is easy to forget important tasks or let them slip to the backburner for later.

Everything, including your health, can change in the blink of an eye. Don't put off today what can't wait until tomorrow. As your professional Knights of Columbus agent, I urge you to make securing life insurance for you and your family a top priority.

It is my fraternal obligation to make sure that every member has the opportunity to protect his family with the Order's top-rated insurance products. I'll work with you to put a plan in place that will help your family when that help is what they need the most.

Your Knights of Columbus insurance program is second to none. As the premier safety net for Catholic families for more than 126 years, our insurance program makes me proud. But I'm also concerned that too many of our brother Knights have not yet looked into the needs of their family. I suspect that, for many of them, life insurance has drifted to the backburner until tomorrow. Don't be one of them; move your insurance needs to the forefront today.

Call me. Let's talk.

Tom Luchi, PGK, FICF, Field Agent
Bus: (608) 214-1140 Email: thomas.luchi@kofc.org

KC LADIES

Ladies, come join us for our annual Lenten Mass and lunch on Thursday, March 4th. We will meet at the Bishop O'Connor Pastoral Center for the noon Mass. (Feel free to come early and spend quiet time in Eucharistic Adoration anytime from 9 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.). After Mass, we will motorcade to a restaurant for lunch and socializing. No need to make reservations. We will take a head count before Mass and then quickly



call the restaurant. Lent is such a wonderful time to grow in our faith. Whether we deny ourselves a favorite food, practice more corporal works of mercy, read spiritual books, or spend more time in prayer, it's all good. Let's make this the best Lent ever!

If you want to add something new for your Lent this year, consider volunteering for an hour to pray outside the Madison Surgery Center at 1 S. Park Street. From Ash Wednesday until March 28th, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., volunteers in peaceful witness, will be praying to end abortion. To sign up, go to www.vigilforlife.org or call Steve Karlen at 608-445-2063. If you want someone to go with you, call Alice at 271-4056.

We'd like to call your attention to another outing that isn't officially a KC Ladies outing, but is a lot of fun. On Wednesday, March 24th, the 6th Annual Full Speed Ahead After 50 will be held at the Monona Terrace. There are exhibits, health screenings and drop-in classes in the morning. After lunch you attend the workshops that you chose at registration. For a full schedule of events and to register, go to www.stmarysmadison.com/goldencare or call Janet at 258-5270. Deadline is March 19th. Fee for the entire day is \$18.00.

On Thursday, April 15th, we will be celebrating our 10th Anniversary! We have enjoyed each other's company and shared so many wonderful experiences during those ten years, that we just have to celebrate! Ladies you are all invited to join us for lunch at the Edgewater Admiralty Room on Thursday, April 15th! We will be carpooling from the St. Maria Goretti and Queen of Peace parking lots at 11:00 a.m. Reservations are a must: please call Betty Blumer at 277-9621 by April 6th and tell her where you will meet the carpool and whether you could be a designated driver.

What an excellent meal we enjoyed on Thursday, February 4th at our cookbook sampler luncheon! Thank you to our volunteer cooks who all tried new recipes with outstanding results: Dottie Dittmann, Isabelle Stohr, Betty Perras, Margaret Ferry and Alice Buechner. A lot of good ideas were also generated at this meeting but we all seemed to agree that we most enjoy just getting together, no matter what activity is planned. A heads-up for May: on May 16th we are attending the Spiritual Day at the Redemptorist Retreat Center in Oconomowoc, and May 17th is the Sisters' Appreciation Night. Check each Knight Letter for information on these and all our activities. Call Betty Blumer, 277-9621, for any questions.

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