



# Knight Letter

OUR LADY OF THE LAKES COUNCIL 4527

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### NOTES

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.**

### GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:



Greetings to my Brother Knights and Ladies:

Just a few weeks before Christmas at the KC Clubhouse,

We are having a party, so please bring your spouse.

It's a time for fraternity and good holiday cheer,

So join with your Brothers, as Christmas draws near.

Just a few days from that we'll gather with Council #531,

To show autistic children some good Christmas fun.

Their families will come to use our good hall,

And we'll see that a good time is ready for all.

The 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> are our ROMEO dates,

Don't forget, to the second one, we can all bring our mates.

Santa can land on our roof without fear,

The repairs were completed late this past year.

Many thanks to those Brothers who answered the call,

To pay the repairman once and for all.

And my thanks to those Brothers who carry the load,

To keep the Council going here on Verona Road.

They cook and they clean and volunteer where they are needed,

And nary a call for their help goes unheeded.

UW concessions, Luke House, Breakfast crew,

Blood donors, plant sale to name just a few,

Are some of the good works our good Brothers do.

So as we face this December we've nothing to fear,

As Knights of Columbus we've reason to cheer.

We'll keep Christ in Christmas, and throughout all the year.

Merry Christmas to all, from your grateful Grand Knight!

Bill Thielmann  
Grand Knight

**FOR WHOM WE PRAY**

Please include in your daily prayers the following Brother Knights, spouses and family members.

Jim Tracy	Frank Matuszak
William (Bill) West	Bob Meyer
Anita (Ed) Boyer	Dick Roloff
John Zwettler	Gary Emerson
Gordon McCann	John Colby
Eleanor Watson	Delores Trameri
Harold Poast	Donald Coyle
Jim Chitwood	Jim Gower
Walter Wipperfurth	Henry Curran
Jay Genin	Carol Yelk
John Kosel	

**KC 4527 BIRTHDAY BOYS - DECEMBER 2011**

Richard Roloff	12/06	Harold Poast	12/18
Jeffrey Patwell	12/07	John Colby	12/21
Augustin Ndahayo	12/12	Wilbert Ferry	12/21
Roman Denissen	12/13	James Fiedler	12/23
Darrin Pope	12/14	Thomas Doyle	12/27
Emmanuel Fontes	12/16	Mitchell Quade	12/28

**MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY- WASHINGTON D.C.**

**January 20 - January 24, 2012**

There are two bus trips organized through travel agencies for the March for Life Rally to be held on January 23, 2012. If you are interested, call the reservation line at 288-9503 and leave your name and phone number and someone will get back to you with the details.

**IN MEMORIUM**

Our condolences and prayers are extended to the family members, extended family members, and friends of the following Brother Knight who has died.

**DONALD COYLE**

DOB: August 20, 1918  
Transferred in: January, 1964  
DIED; October 28, 2011

**APOSTOLATE TO THE HANDICAPPED**

The Apostolate to the Handicapped will celebrate Christmas on December 3, 2011 at the Monroe, WI High School Gym. Doors open at 9:30 a.m. and Mass begins at 10:45 a.m. with a dinner to follow. We need drivers to pick up handicapped/elderly persons from their homes and transport them to Monroe and back. To volunteer, contact the Apostolate at [campionschampions@tds.net](mailto:campionschampions@tds.net).

**COUNCIL FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Please join us for the Christmas Party to be held on **December 8, 2011** at the Clubhouse starting at 5:30 p.m.

**Cost \$5.00 per person**

5:30 p.m.	Snacks
6:00 p.m.	Hot Hors D'oeuvres
6:30 p.m.	Desserts

Please call the Reservation Line @ 288-9503 with your reservation by December 3, 2011.

**BIRTHDAY BOY BASH**

**Thursday, January 12, 2012 at the Clubhouse**

Social	5:00 p.m.
Dinner	6:00 p.m.

Cost \$5.00 Members, Wives & Guests

Call Reservation Line at 288-9503 with your reservation.

**LUKE HOUSE MEAL PROGRAM**

We have the privilege of serving lunch for the needy at Luke House on Thursday, December 29, 2011. We carpool from the Queen of Peace parking lot at 10:00 a.m., or you can meet us at Luke House, 310 S. Ingersoll Street at 10:30 a.m. Please let me know if you can help or if you have any questions. Thank you. Gene Buechner - 271-4056.

**26TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY BLOOD DRIVE**

Friday, December 23, 2011

7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Exhibition Hall at the Alliant Energy Center

For an appointment, contact 1-800 RED CROSS or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org).

**COUNCIL #531 CHRISTMAS PARTY**

December 10, 2011 will be the Christmas party with Santa at our Clubhouse sponsored by Council #531. Our council needs volunteers to help with this wonderful event for autistic children. If you can help, please call 267-6834 or if you would like to attend with your reservation.

**CONCESSION ACTIVITIES - DECEMBER 2011**

Badger Football Games - Football Stadium

11-26-11 Badgers VS Penn State - TBD

Badger Women's Hockey - Kohl Center - Booth #126

11-25-11 Badgers VS St. Cloud State - 2:00 p.m. Faceoff

11-27-11 Badgers VS St. Cloud State - 2:00 p.m. Faceoff

01-20-12 Badgers VS Duluth - 2:00 p.m. Faceoff

01-21-12 Badgers VS Duluth - 2:00 p.m. Faceoff

UW Graduation - Kohl Center - Booth #126

12-18-11 The first ceremony is at 10:00 a.m. and the second one is at 2:00 p.m. Help is needed at 8:30 a.m. and at 1:00 p.m. for the second.

Help is needed for all events. For more information, Call Paul Bariola at 273-0369.

**FROM INSURANCE AGENT**

An Exclusive Gift for Your Family

As we all know, the Knights of Columbus Insurance is not available to just any one. However, while it is exclusive with membership in the Knights of Columbus being required to access our Insurance Program (except for provisions in policies that are in force), it is not just available to Brother Knights to protect their families. A Brother Knight's wife and his dependent children 18 years of age or younger can also be insured through the Knights of Columbus. And if your Sons or Sons-in-Law are members, you can apply for a policy on your Grandchildren through age 18 and the same for your Great grandchildren if your Grandson's are members and so on.

In fact I know of one member who with each of his Sons, Sons-in-Law and Grandsons as they turned 18 and became members, he purchase a basic policy for each agreeing to pay their membership dues and premiums as long as he was alive. What a great gift of both membership, protection and investment in the generations to come, Granddaughters included.

So, as Christmas approaches, the "Season of Giving", why not consider the gift of both a Whole Life Insurance Policy with a

membership in the world's largest Catholic lay organization, the Knights of Columbus. As I discussed in prior articles, there are many ways to pay for a Whole Life Policy to meet your needs including Single Pay. In addition, you would be helping our Order grow in numbers and influence as part of what we try to do at this time every year, recruit a "Knight Before Christmas".

I would be pleased to meet with you to develop a plan for giving these valuable gifts this Christmas and if necessary assist you with recruiting your Sons, Sons-in-Law, Grandsons, etc. Just give me a call.

Tom Luchi, PGK, FICF, Field Agent  
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**KC LADIES**

Ladies, please join us for our annual Christmas Salad Potluck Luncheon on Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, at 11:30 a.m. in the back room of the Clubhouse. Reservations were due before November 21<sup>st</sup> – call Ginny Honer at 848-8300. In addition to bringing a favorite salad to share, please also bring a teddy bear (or 2, or 3) for HospiceCare. New teddy bears larger than 10 inches tall are requested and please leave on the tags. The teddy bears are given to their patients as a special companion to talk to and cry with. This annual potluck is a great way to begin the Christmas season. Even if you have never attended, please come and meet more wonderful KC Ladies -- and the food they bring is pretty awesome! Thanks to Ginny and to Sharon Hurtgen for being in charge of this luncheon.

As we have done for the past five years, a few of us ladies plan to help sort the toys and clothing donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Toy Drive. The date is Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. This is one little way we try to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. If you would like to join us, please call Alice at 271-4056 (before December 1<sup>st</sup>) for more information.

We do not plan an activity for January. What we plan to do instead is hibernate – stay inside and recharge our batteries. Check the next Knight Letter to see what is planned for February.

Thanks to all the Ladies who joined us at our annual Memorial Mass on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. One of the special things we do is pray together – this time for our deceased friends and relatives. The breakfast afterwards at our favorite Pancake Café was a great way to extend this visit with good friends. Enjoying Belgian Strawberry waffles by the fireplace is one of our favorite things to do!

If you have ideas of things to do, or have questions about any of our activities, give Betty Blumer a call at 277-9621.



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