



knights of columbus

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From the Grand Knight

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Brother Knights,

Now that the convention and the elections of the convention are over, it is time to turn to our council's election.

We have a slate of officers that has been developed by our past Grand Knights.

We have and continue to bring along our officers by moving each up with each year.

It is important that you answer the call to be an Officer in your Council.

The slate of Officers is as follows:

Chaplin - Father Mike Yadron

Grand Knight - Gregg Blocher

Deputy Grand Knight - Bob Gozdecki

Chancellor - Chris Pala

Recorder - Ralph Konkoly

Financial Secretary - Jim Marmalejo

Treasurer - Stan Lewandowski

Advocate - David Kritzer

Warden - Larry Albrecht

Inside Guard - Chris Bedenk

Inside Guard - Rich Alvarado

Outside Guard - Joe Cwiok

3 Year Trustee – Tom Alexander

2 Year Trustee – Jeff Chastain

1 Year Trustee – David Trotman

Important dates:

- June 5th – Gary South Shore Railcats postponed due to Special Olympics
- June 14 – Meeting, Election, Corn and Wheel signup
- June 20 – Fathers Day
- June 23 – 27 Festival, we are working the CORN & WHEEL booths
- June 28 – Meeting
- July 4 – Parade
- July 26 – Chicago White Sox
- August 14 – Golf outing.

Please support the festival and support your Council with your time.

Thank you for all you do.

God Bless,
Tom Alexander
Grand Knight

Prayer for Canonization of Fr. Michael J. McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church.

Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen. (Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be.)



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Dear Brother Knights:

In every athlete's life there is at least one shining moment for him or her to reflect upon and cherish for all of his or her life. I had the opportunity to be a member of a mythical state championship football team of Lew Wallace High School. That was when you were selected #1 by the coaches' poll and sportswriters' poll that took into consideration the teams accomplishments for the entire season. I have no medal to wear around my neck or a trophy to display in my office, just the satisfaction that I contributed to a team effort, that I was a part of history for my school. No matter what happens to me, that feeling of accomplishment, that honor, that pride in your heart can never be taken away.

The Indiana Jurisdiction is on the verge of making history in our fraternal Order. Never has Team Indiana met their Supreme membership quota for three consecutive years. Never has Team Indiana achieved the Circle of Honor in two consecutive State Deputy terms of office. Never has Team Indiana achieved the Pinnacle Award – the standard of excellence given by the Supreme Knight. You have the opportunity to change that word of never to YES! You have that opportunity to make history!

To achieve these awards, you need to recruit and have the candidates take their 1st Degree by June 30, 2010. We need 1625 members for Circle of Honor and 1788 for the Pinnacle Award. Last fraternal year we brought nearly 1700 new members into our fine Order. We can do it again. However just like any sports team we all have to give our best for the team to be the best. Each day our website, www.indianakofc.org will be updated with the amount of new members needed to attain each award and the days remaining.

The Circle of Honor and Pinnacle Awards are presented at the Supreme Convention. It will be such an honor for me to walk on stage with every delegate, guests and Supreme Officers looking on to accept these awards on behalf of Team Indiana, on behalf of every Hoosier Knight, on behalf of you. The trophy and plaque symbolizing our achievements will be brought back to Indiana and I promise that every District, every Council will have the opportunity to see, hold and cherish Team Indiana's accomplishment before they go to their final destination in our museum on the campus of Gibault in Terre Haute.

I want each of you to have that one shining moment of being a member of a winning team to cherish for all the days of your life. And when you visit the museum with your friends and family and point to the Circle of Honor trophy and the Pinnacle Award plaque, you can proudly state that you were a member of Team Indiana that made history.

Vivat Jesus,


Stephan A. Ziemba

June Birthdays

- 1 John Gianotti Sr.
- 4 Michael Korfiatis
Michael McIntyre
- 5 Thomas Fagan
- 6 Alan Pischner
- 8 Frank Higgins
Fr. Michael Veneklase
- 9 Gregg Blocher
Christopher Pala
- 10 Jim Ambuul
- 12 James D'Orazio
- 15 Richard Alvarado
- 16 Steve Jurek
- 17 John Nishimura
Dave Strbjak
- 20 Kirk Trotman
- 24 Chris Duray
Roland Kwasny
- 25 Anthony Popiela
- 30 Ronald Albrecht

July Birthdays

- 2 Darrin Gugala
- 3 Robert Walsh
- 5 Tony Pagorek
Stan Slazyk
- 9 Cliff Huber
- 10 Mike Spence
- 15 Jim Marmalejo
- 17 John Wadas
Robert Zadrozny
- 20 Tim Wiess
- 21 Mark Taylor
- 22 Timothy Christiana
Napoleon Tabion
- 29 Stan Lewandowski

If you want to keep an eye on how close we are to Circle of Honor or the Pinnacle Award, simply go to the web site for the Knights of Columbus in Indiana:

www.indianakofc.org

261 new members needed for Circle of Honor
436 new members needed for Pinnacle Award
as of 5/24/2010

Dear Brother Knights:

Hey, who says a man cannot dream?
And who says a man's dreams cannot become a reality?

After all, are we not all living proof that Fr. McGivney's dream has become a reality? Not only a reality, but a driving force in our nation and in our world. After all, has any other group been instrumental in getting and keep God in our very Pledge of Allegiance? Has any other group financed the renovation of the exterior of St. Peter's Basilica? Has any other group stepped up for life to the degree that the Knights of Columbus has?

The Knights of Columbus is a wonderful organization. It is a faith-filled, family-centered organization that truly makes a difference in the lives of its members as well as in the life of our world.

Like any other organization, it needs fuel. There is only one way to keep that organization fueled: membership.

We are on the very cusp of making history in our state. We can make our intake goal for the third year in a row. We can regain the title of Circle of Honor. If we really apply ourselves, we can even achieve the Pinnacle Award.

In order to do so, we need each Knight's, each council's, and each district's response.

The final push is on. Be like St. Paul and race to the finish line!

Venerable Michael J. McGivney, Founder of the Knights of Columbus, pray for us.

Mother Theodore Guerin, Patroness of the Indiana Knights of Columbus, pray for us.

Vivat Jesus!



Rev. Michael J. Yadron
Chaplain