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## NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2005

### GRAND KNIGHT'S LETTER

The new Columbian Year gives us good reason to be optimistic about the continued growth and development of Holy Crusaders Council. Together we have kept it moving in a positive direction. Your continued support will keep us moving forward. This month we will, once again, be having our summer concert, outside the St. Agnes Parish Center. We need a lot of help to make this another success. If you are able to help in any way you can contact Bob Stefano (227-6715) or Bob Calabro (228-7517). We will start working about 8 AM.

Fraternally,  
Robert Calabro,  
Grand Knight

### FREE CONCERT

Our Council is sponsoring a free concert and barbeque on Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup> in the St. Agnes Church parking lot, in front of the Parish Center. BLT will provide the music and we will provide the food. We will start serving food at 6:30 PM and the band will play from 7:30 to 9:30 PM. Admission is free so bring the family, friends and your appetite. Also bring your own chairs. Throughout the day, we will need some help setting up and running the show. Please make yourselves available. Thank you. For further information, contact Bob Stefano (227-6715).

### BACKYARD BARBEQUE

On July 28<sup>th</sup>, Bob & Pauline Vogel song, once again, generously open their home to host an annual barbeque. It offered the 58 members, and family members, who attended, a very pleasant evening that included lots of good things to eat and drink. Attendance was better than ever and everyone enjoyed an evening of refreshments and fraternalism. Again, we thank Bob & Pauline, and family members for their hospitality.

### (K)NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK

On July 22<sup>nd</sup>, a busload of fanatical Rivershark fans traveled to Campbell Field for our regular (K)Night at the Ballpark. The overflow folks preferred to use their own vehicles. It was a beautiful night for a ballgame and the group had a lot of fun. We would like to thank Dan & Joan Riiff for putting this outing together. A good time was had by all.

### KNIGHT/FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our Knight of the Month for July was Shawn McGovern (Summer Concert). Our Family of the Month for July was Jim McGovern and family. Congratulations and thank you.

### BLOOD DONOR DRIVE

Our Council sponsored a Red Cross blood donor drive on Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Center. We were glad to help ease the short supplies brought on by the vacation summer months. Our efforts helped collect 83 much needed pints which could be used to save as many as 249 lives. We would like to recognize Dan Riiff for his promotional programs and for the wonderful food provided for the donors. We would also like to thank Bob Calabro, Bob Stefano, Frank Maggio and Andy DiJoseph for their help in making the drive a success.

### CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

To lust is not always to lust after a man or a woman. Lust is to desperately seek something that does not belong to you. It could be lust after somebody's possessions or to hunger for something you don't have. When Lot's wife looked back at what she was leaving behind as Sodom was being destroyed by an angel (after she was told not to), she turned into a pillar of salt. Lot's wife lusted for the things she was going to miss. She was turned into a pillar of salt, which said, here was a person who didn't put too much stock in living to be the salt of the earth, but salt of lust and disbelief.

### INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Our Council will install the officers for the new Columbian Year on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, in the St. Agnes Chapel. The ceremonies will begin with Mass at 7:30 PM, followed by the installation by our District Deputy. All officers are expected at the Chapel at 7:00 PM for a short rehearsal. Family members are welcome and refreshments will follow. There will be no Council meeting on this date.

### 2005 BIG 50/50 CHURCH RAFFLE

Our Council will, once again, be running the St. Agnes Raffle. All proceeds will go toward the

Church debt reduction program. The initial mailing announcing the raffle should be in the hands of the parishioners during the week of August 22<sup>nd</sup>. This mailing will announce the Church raffle, describe the program, and include an order blank to purchase raffle tickets through the mail. In addition, we will be counting on our members to provide a sales force to sell tickets, in the rear of the Church, after all the Masses, starting with the Sunday after Labor Day.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

Have you ever heard the expression "lazy days of summer?" While the hot weather may encourage a slower-paced life, in many ways summer can be the busiest time of the year. Especially for parents with school-aged children. And being busy, it's easy to forget about such things as reviewing your life insurance coverage.

The purpose of this column is to encourage you to meet with me, your Knights of Columbus agent, before the end of the summer. Whether or not you have life insurance with the Order, I'll be happy to meet with you and make sure your coverage continues to meet your needs and goals. If you've had any life changes since you last bought a policy (new home, new child, new job, etc.), chances are your life insurance needs to be updated. I'll work with you to make sure you have the coverage you need at a price you can afford.

Call me to set up an appointment. When we meet, you'll discover that time spent with your Knights of Columbus agent is time well-spent. But, make the call today. Because summer is not only busy, it's also coming to an end.

Thomas J. Conway, Jr.  
Field Agent (856) 753-4458

### DEGREE NEWS

Our Council would like to congratulate and welcome Eric Zeidler to our numbers. Brother Eric made his first degree at a Council in another location.

### MONTE CARLO NIGHT

This year's Monte Carlo Night will be held on Saturday, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, in the Parish Center. At this time it may seem a long way off, but with the

enormous amount of planning and work to be done, it really isn't. To help, or to offer your suggestions for improvements, contact John Colaianni (228-9528) or Dan Riiff (228-0334).

#### CRAB FEAST

We will be kicking off our annual Big Raffle and Monte Carlo Night extravaganzas with a delicious informal crab feast dinner. On September 24th, Dan Riiff will be bringing in a load of steamed Maryland hard shell crabs to served up in the St. Agnes Parish Center from 6 to 9 PM. Tickets are \$25 each (no children please) and guarantee all the tasty steamed crabs you can eat, with spaghetti and clams, hot dogs, beer and soft drinks. Brother Dan Riiff (226-0334) is our seafood connection and you can contact him for tickets.

#### FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

The Bishop Shad Assembly will meet on the third Wednesday of the month, at 8:00 PM, at the Holy Family Church Hall, Sewell.

#### OUR ORDER SETS A NEW RECORD

Knights of Columbus donated more than 63 million service hours and \$135 million to charitable causes during 2004, according to the annual Survey of Fraternal Activity. Both figures are all-time highs for the Knights.

#### PRACTICAL CATHOLIC DEFINED

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to practical Catholic men in union with the Holy See, who are at least 18 years old. A practical Catholic is one who lives up to the Commandments of God and the precepts of the Church. Although it sounds similar to a "practicing Catholic" we like to think of it as going one step beyond just practicing.

#### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the St. Agnes Chapel on First Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup> following the 9:00 AM Mass, continue until 7:30 PM, and close with Benediction. If at all possible, please try to stop by during the day and spend some time with the Lord.

#### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

The following members, or family members, will celebrate their birthdays this month: Msgr. Charles Barth, Paul Chatburn, Americo Cioci, Tom Conway, Anthony Dandrea, Msgr. Joseph DiMauro, Bob Enos, Thomas Grannan, Anthony Infanti, Thomas McLaughlin, Robert Merkl, John Pagano, Mrs. Debbie Pascale, Ed Schwarz, Gerald Straub, Frank Talarico, Mrs. Judy Trafka, and Carmen Valentino. The following will celebrate their anniversaries: Mr.&Mrs. Ernie Aukerman, Mr.& Mrs John Berstecher, Mr.&Mrs. Francisco Olaya, Mr.&Mrs. Bob Vogel song. **CONGRATULATIONS!** If we missed someone please contact John Gandolfo (227-0447) or gandy@comcast.net.

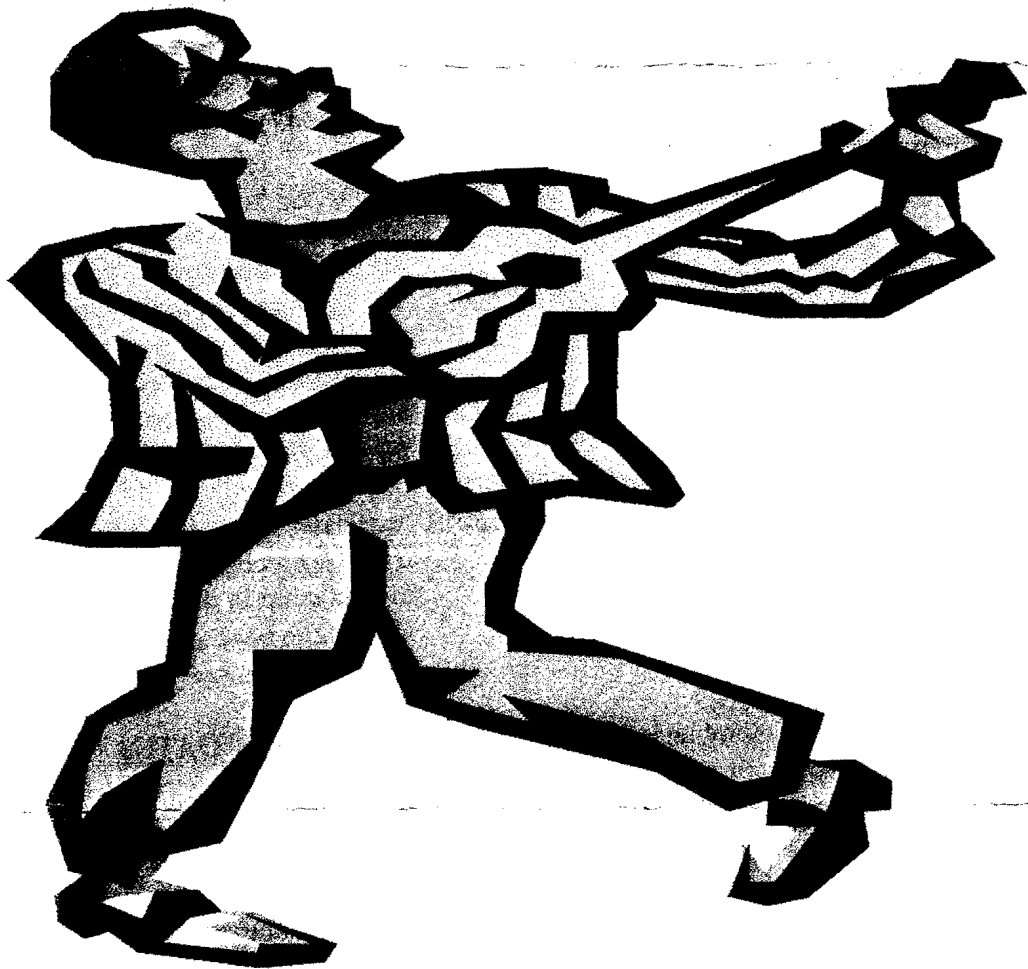
#### EDITORIAL

While the business of the Council invariably lets up a bit during the summer months, we are enjoying some very pleasant fraternal activities. On July 22<sup>nd</sup> we enjoyed another trip to the ballpark to root for the Riversharks. On July 28<sup>th</sup> we enjoyed a backyard barbeque compliments of the Vogel songs. We are now looking forward to another summer concert with a barbeque to add to the evening. All of these programs are available to all of you and your family, some at no charge. Be a part of this. Enjoy your membership in the Knights. We work a lot, but we also like to have some fun. Just show up. We are always glad to see you. Vivat Jesus.

#### IMPORTANT DATES

- Aug. 4 Officers Meeting (8 PM Church St.)
- Aug. 5 First Friday (St. Agnes Chapel)
- Aug. 9 Free Concert & Barbeque (St. Agnes Church Grounds)
- Aug. 11 Council Meeting (8 PM Church St.)
- Aug. 12 Fr. McGivney's Birthday (1852)
- Aug. 14 Fr. McGivney's Death (1890)
- Aug. 25 Installation of Officers (7:30 PM Chapel)
- Sept. 1 Officers Meeting (8 PM Church St.)
- Sept. 2 First Friday (St. Agnes Chapel)
- Sept. 5 Labor Day
- Sept. 8 Council Meeting (8 PM Church St.)
- Sept. 22 Council Meeting (8 PM Church St.)
- Sept. 24 Crab Feast (6-9 PM Parish Center)

**FREE CONCERT**  
**TUESDAY, AUGUST 9TH**  
**ST. AGNES CHURCH PARKING LOT**  
**(IN FRONT OF THE PARISH CENTER, IF IT RAINS WE MOVE INSIDE)**  
**ENJOY AN EVENING WITH THE BLT BAND**  
**FROM 7:30 TO 9:30 PM**



**FREE BARBEQUE AND SOFT DRINKS STARTING**  
**AT 6:30 PM. ALL ARE WELCOME SO BRING THE**  
**WHOLE FAMILY AND ALL YOUR FRIENDS**  
**(ALSO BRING YOUR OWN CHAIRS)**