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**GRAND
KNIGHT'S
REPORT**

Greetings Brother Knights

The year has passed by rather quickly so let me update you on a few of the upcoming events.

First, I want to thank all the Brother Knights who have helped me tremendously during my first year as your Grand Knight. Many of you have stepped up to help when the time was needed, I, Thank all of you very much.

The annual K. of C. Tootsie Roll Drive is going to be held this year on June 4/5. Anyone interested in helping, please let us know, we will need volunteers. All the locations have not been finalized as of yet. There will be more information later. Let's once again help the Special Olympics to be a success. This year once again the K. of C. Soccer challenge will be held at the Larry Bauer Park. The date and time will be announced later. We will also need volunteers for this event.

If any member has a son/daughter entering post-secondary education this fall, the forms for the Local #2110 K. of C. Bursary are available. The due date for all paperwork is August 1, 2010. If you need a form please see the F/S Paul Peltier or myself. We have them available. The bursary will be awarded at our annual banquet in October. This year the banquet will be

held on October 2, 2010.

During the months of April and May we will be holding nominations and elections for the new K. of C. Executive board starting in September. If you are interested but cannot attend, please submit a letter with your intention to run for a position. These positions are not as intimidating as they may sound; just ask the Brothers who are currently in them. We all rely and help each other to make these jobs easier. Remember you must be a third degree Knight in good standing to be eligible to hold a position. If you are considering a position and would like more information, please contact any current member of the Executive. They will be happy to help.

Just in case anyone was wondering, we have not had a dinner meeting for the past few months. The request to cancel the dinner meeting was made by the Brother Knights who make the preparations. The membership voted to cancel these dinners due to poor turnout, but will bring them back at a later date if attendance improves. There is a lot of work to prepare a meal, and then only have 15 to 20 Knights show up that night is disheartening for the effort. I do want to thank all of the cooks, you always do a wonderful job, and no one ever goes away hungry.

This is a lot of information for a small article. Remember Brothers let's not forget to get out there and recruit a new member or two. There is someone you know who has never been asked to join our organization. Let's invite them in, and continue to make this Council a success. To any newer brothers who

not attended yet, our meeting nights are still on the first Tuesday of the month @ 7:00 p.m. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Brothers, let us all take the time during this Easter season and reflect back on the pain and suffering that Jesus endured for us. Let all of us continue to walk forward in his name as proud members of the “Knights of Columbus.

Fraternally.
Leonard Tetreault
Grand Knight



FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

I hope all our members and their families have a good Easter. We have a lot of members who still have

not paid their dues. As of January 1st our council is assessed \$17 for every dues paying member (including Honorary members). These assessments must be paid to avoid grave consequences to our council and hall. On July 1st, we must pay another \$3.25 per dues paying member. Our council also pays \$10 out of the dues to support our hall as well as \$3 to pay for all the administration work involved with our council. This is why it is so important to try and have all dues paid so our council does not suffer financially.

At our hall last year, we raised (with the help of the Ladies Auxiliary) just over \$16,000. Our hall was very busy last year with fundraising. The activity in our hall did not stop there however. There were dart and euchre leagues using our hall. Senior parties were well attended and appreciated by those who attended. The Ladies Auxiliary was also helping raise funds and was having social and regular meetings. We were having our social and regular meetings as well as other fraternal activities. With all the activities, the list just keeps growing.

Members and non members donated \$10,400 to help with repairs to the hall. Other members loaned much more to help with all the repairs needed to keep our hall functional. Getting our hall back on stable ground really showed the unity of our members and the events showed all the charity and fraternity of our council. I would like

to thank all the members who helped make last year a good year for our council and hall. A special thanks goes out to John McLaughlin for spearheading the work around our hall and our past G.K., Tim Lauriault and our present G. K., Leonard Tetreault for guiding our council through this past year. Thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary for helping out as well.

Let's keep up the good work this year.

Fraternally
Paul Peltier
Financial Secretary

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Happy Easter Brother Knights

I want to extend to each member of our Council and their families a Happy Easter. Let's all take the time as we share this special occasion with our friends and families to reflect on the precious gift of Life given by Jesus Christ, honoring and recognizing His resurrection from the dead, and His glorious promise of eternal life.

The spring season is officially upon us with longer days and shorter nights, warmer weather, fresh air and new growth. We see the renewal of friendships and acquaintances as we celebrate the new season. I remind all Brother Knights to keep in mind the same renewal for new members to our Council. If you know of any Catholic gentlemen who you think would have interest in joining the Knights of Columbus let's sign them up. Our membership and attendance at our meetings has become smaller and any efforts you as fellow Knights can make to keep our Council active with bringing in new members is appreciated. I plan to conduct with Grand Knight Leonard Tetreault a membership blitz in early April at the Church with the blessings and permission of Fr. Brian Jane. I am looking for any brethren that would be able to assist me in attending masses to bring greater awareness of our work as Knights of Columbus in the church, our faith, the community, charity and fraternity and for new recruits to offer their individual skills and efforts and new friendships as members of our Council. Please call me anytime at 519-736-1651. Br. Knight Financial Secretary, Paul Peltier volunteers his time and efforts at the monthly Coffee Sundays in the Church basement with information about the benefits of membership with the Knights of Columbus. I ask that you may also direct any prospective members to him on Coffee Sundays held after the 10 o'clock Mass.

Thank you to all the fellow Knights and volunteers that

work in our kitchen and hall at our fundraisers and community events. These members donate many hours of their time to make each event special and a success. You cannot be thanked enough for your continued devotion to the success of this Council and set a high example to our goals of charity and fraternity.

I want to welcome again our two new 3rd Degree Brother Knights Kari Alhonen and Lloyd Jenereaux and to invite you to come out join in the fun and fraternity of our many Council activities and regular monthly meetings held every second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. The Council hosts monthly Blood Donor clinics, monthly breakfast fundraisers and other ongoing events.

A 3rd Degree exemplification has been scheduled for April 18th in Tecumseh and we have new member, Luigi DiPierdomenico attending the exemplification and ask that you come out and support our newest member at this special event.

*Fraternally,
Scott Brown*

LECTURER'S REPORT

Brother Knights,

The next Blood Donor Clinic will be at General Amherst High School on April 21ST. I'd like to thank all of the Brother Knights and their families who have donated and keep on donating.

Our Council is involved in a program that is called Partners for Life through Canadian Blood Services. Last year our Council pledged 25 donations and we had a total of 32 donations thanks to Brother Knights and their families' donations. I know that some of you are not registered in the Partners for Life program but I urge you to call me and I'll set this up for you. What registering in this program does is it credits our Council automatically anytime you donate blood whether it's at the clinics here in town or any clinic in Ontario. It's a great program and I urge you to get involved with this.

Have a Happy Easter.

*Fraternally,
Brother Lawrence Beneteau
Worthy Lecturer*

COLUMBIAN LADIES REPORT

Our primary mission in this organization is to assist the Knights in any way we can and to support our local charities.

Our ladies are becoming famous for our Bake Sales which are held four times a year. They are always a sellout. A percentage of the proceeds of these sales are going to the "Raise the Roof" campaign. Many ladies help the Knights at the Breakfasts held one Sunday a month except for the summer months. They also decorate the hall for Christmas each year.

Besides the Bake sale fund raisers they have a day and a half yard sale in May. This year it is Friday May 28th from 8 a.m. - 7 p.m and Sat. May 29th, 8a.m. - 11 a.m. For the last two years they have hosted a Craft sale with 25 to 30 vendors present.

Like all the charitable clubs in our area we are missing the funding we got from helping the Knights run the Bingos so now we have less money to dole out.

Donations 2008 - 2009

- Aug. 2008** \$1000 to the Knights {yard sale Revenue}
Sept 2008 Canadian Cancer Society - \$200
Meals on Wheels -\$200.
A'burg Food Bank- \$200.
Care-A-Van -\$200.
Nov.2008 St. John The Baptist Church
\$200. -Christmas flowers.
St. Vincent de Paul -\$200.
Feb. 2009 Windsor Indoor Games- \$200.
Canadian Diabetes -\$200
April 2009 Easter flowers for the church - \$200.
Bake sale Revenue to Knights \$400.
May 2009 Heart & Stroke \$ 200.
Sept. 2009 St John the Baptist Adoration Room -\$200.

*Marilyn Thrasher
Columbian Ladies Auxiliary*

SOME EFFORT - LOTS OF SATISFACTION

Join a team that cooks burgers every Monday from noon until 2.00 p.m. Learn to prepare food for the Seniors Dinner Party that is held every month. Even if you haven't worked in a kitchen before, come on out and learn from the people who have been doing it for years. For a couple of hours once a month be a part of the teamwork that helps our local community.

Contact John McLaughlin (519-736-5761)
or by email (jmclaugh@cogeco.ca.)

UPCOMING EVENTS

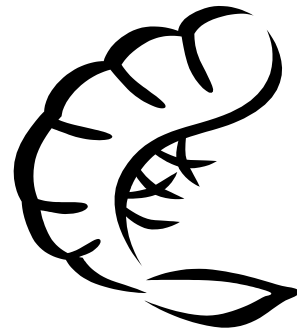
Ladies Auxiliary Bake Sale	1.00 p.m. on Good Friday
Good Friday Fish Fry	4.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.
Sunday Breakfasts	Easter Sunday
	Mother's Day
	Father's Day
St. Theresa School Fundraiser	April 15th
Amherstburg Heroes Fundraiser	April 17th
Steak BBQ /Half Chicken Dinner	May 1st



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOOD FRIDAY FISH FRY

4 P.M. TO 7 P.M.

EAT-IN OR TAKE-OUT



SMALL FISH DINNER	\$6.50
LARGE FISH DINNER	\$8.50
2 PIECE FISH AND SHRIMP DINNER	\$9.00
8 SHRIMP AND 3 FROG LEGS DINNER	\$11.00
6 FROG LEGS DINNER	\$11.00
16 SHRIMP DINNER	\$11.00
KID'S FISH DINNER	\$5.00

**EVERY MONDAY NOON UNTIL 2.00 P.M. \$2.00 BURGER \$2.00 BEER
COME AND JOIN US FOR A FIRST CLASS BURGER AND FRIENDSHIP**

**GET YOUR TICKETS SOON FOR THE MAY 1ST STEAK BBQ
A 10 OZ NEW YORK STRIP LOIN STEAK OR BEAUTIFULLY SEASONED HALF CHICKEN
SERVED WITH SALAD, BAKED POTATO AND FRESH ROLL
TICKETS ONLY \$15.00**

WE CAN HELP

By Thomas P. Smith, Jr., Executive Vice President of Agencies and Marketing

In the January column, I wrote about the alarming statistic which tells us that about 50% of the households in the U.S. and Canada have no individually owned life insurance. If you recall, we talked about group life insurance and the tendency to get very comfortable that you are “covered” if you have this benefit at work.

But that certainly doesn't comprise the entire 50% block of people. What else could cause a person to carry no coverage?

The statistics for why people have not availed themselves of life insurance coverage are pretty clear, and they really don't change from survey to survey. First, let's look at the survey results (provided by the Life Insurance Marketing Research Association).

Why people don't buy life insurance:

74% list “can't afford the coverage” as a major reason they don't buy.

52% say a major reason is that they “can't decide what to buy.”

50% agree it is a good idea but “put it off until tomorrow.”

43% worry about “making the wrong decision.”

Let's examine each of these reasons. First, the vast majority lists a major reason as lack of affordability in the coverage, yet coverage is only offered if it meets your budget. It is in no one's best interest to offer you a product that you cannot afford. A good agent (like ours) goes through a process with you of determining what the affordable monthly cost is. For the record, a healthy non-smoking 40-year-old male can get \$500,000 of term coverage with the Order for just about \$1.50 a day.

If a client can't decide what to buy, the agent will help him decide, and a lot has to do with identifying goals and objectives as well as a budget. We offer term insurance, permanent insurance or a mix of both. We believe a combination of these products can solve all personal protection issues.

Putting the purchase of life insurance off can be costly, and we would recommend against that. You get older and premiums go up, and you run the very real risk that your health can change. A negative change in your health can cause your costs to increase, or cause you to be denied coverage all together. Delay can be disaster.

For those who worry about “making the wrong decision?” Well, I can help. Please call me for a consultation.

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