



# The Knightly News

Knights of Columbus St. Mary's Council Huntley 11666

District # 43

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## From the Grand Knight's Desk

Even though we're in our slow season, we've had many events. Below is a list of recent events. Thank you to all that assisted with these events. These would not be possible without your dedication.

### Poster Contest Update:

Tyler Rau won at the state level for his submission of the "Take the bad out of your life" poster. I presented the plaque to Tyler on Tuesday (5/2) evening. His poster will be forward to Supreme for their International contest. (The supreme results will not be available until early August just before the Supreme convention). Thanks to Ken Kasprzak for chairing this event.

### Bowling:

Our dedicated members enjoyed a trip to Indianapolis to compete in a bowling tournament. All had a fun weekend.

### Bake Sale:

Thanks to all that participated. We had a great turn-out this year. We had net proceeds of over \$900.00 that will go towards the annual picnic in the park. The picnic is scheduled for July 24<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to Dan Quirk and Ed Clausen for chairing this event again.

### Free Throw:

The winners from our council went on to participate at the district level. We had a great turnout. The competition was tough and all had a fun time. Thanks to Jerry O'Sullivan for chairing this event.

Be sure to check out our web-site. Jim Conrey has made many changes the site and it contains a lot of great information. You'll find upcoming activities, 1<sup>st</sup> degree, major degree and 4<sup>th</sup> degree dates, officer contact list, or looking for some good catholic web-sites? Here's the link to the site:

<http://www.huntleyknights.org/index.html>.

Alter and Rosary Society will be praying the Rosary on the 2nd Tuesday of every month. This starts at 6:30pm and will end around 7:00pm. All (including families) are encouraged to attend. If you have a Knights of Columbus polo shirt, that would look great. Participation is most important, so show up even if you don't have a polo shirt. The more Knights the better.

Are you interested in being an officer? Terms run from July to June and details on each position are posted on our web-site. I've been an officer for many years and I've received great pleasure for the work put forth. You must be a 3rd degree knight in order to be an officer. If you're interested, please contact the Grand Knight.

To continue to grow our council, we need to expand our membership. If you enjoy being a member of the Knights of Columbus then ask a friend to join.

Finally, in case you haven't heard, Ken Kasprzak and his family have relocated to Boston. I'd like to say thanks to Ken for all that he has done as our Youth Director. We truly appreciate all that you have done for our council. I wish you the best of luck with your new endeavors.

The power of prayer works. Please pray for our deceased Brother Knights and all that are sick.

Vivat Jesus!

Don Walz

## Newest Knights at 11666

Please welcome **Charlie Andrews** into our council. Charlie took his first degree in April.

Please introduce yourself to Charlie!



### Blood Drive

We had 100 donors total, of which 35 were either Brother Knights or family members. Five Knights did double red cell donations, our Grand Knight, Don Walz, Kevin Sullivan, Guy DeMaertlaere, Don Moore & our DGK Bill Byrne.

Kathleen Sullivan won a \$25 gift certificate. Her name was drawn from the list of 35 Knights & family members.

Thanks to Bill Byrne for chairing this event. Our blood drive staff did an awesome job! Thank you to everyone who helped out.

Special thanks to Nick Grandenitti for taking all the pictures at the blood drive.

Our next blood drive will be on July 9, 2011. The theme will be "Patriotic". Please contact Bill Byrne on his cell if you would like to help out (630) 400-2149.



"I'll take a double" says Bill Byrne

## Knights of the Month

February-11	Brian Giangreggo
March -11	Ken Kasprzak
April- 11	Bill Byrne

The May Knight of the Month will be announced at the next general business meeting!

### Knights Profile of the Month

#### *Tom Lentz, 3 year Trustee*

Tom joined the Knights in 2008. Tom is married to Meghan & has 3 children. Tom graduated from Purdue University with a Bachelor Degree in business management. Tom met his wife when she was doing upside down margaritas at one of his fraternity parties.

What place would you like to visit the most?

***"Rome & Ireland"***

What place would you never like to go back to?

***"India"***

The one thing people don't know about you?

***"I won a dance contest in Mexico & was crowned with a sombrero by Mary Lou Retton"***

### **A Day at the Shooting Range**

Please join us for a day at the shooting range on Saturday June 11 at 10 AM. Father David has arranged for our group to shoot at the Boone County Conservation Club.

If you have never shot a gun before & you are interested, come out & join us. This is for all types of shooters, novice up to expert. A short tutorial for novices will be given. The cost will be \$20 per man, which includes guns & ammo.

If you are interested in attending, please email Brian Giangreggo at [bgiangreggo@gmail.com](mailto:bgiangreggo@gmail.com) with your contact information.

## **New Design for Council Shirts**

Tom Sherman has a new style shirt for our council members to purchase. They are now available for purchase. The shirts look great! Please see Tom if you need to order a size not in stock.

## **Pro Life Essay**

Six students from the Huntley area were named winners in the inaugural Pro-Life Essay Contest sponsored by our council.

Students who are members of St. Mary Catholic Church were invited to submit essays from mid-December through January 23. The essays addressed the following statement: "Why I Am Pro-Life, And Why You Should Be, Too."

The grand prize winner was Isabel Rizo, an eighth-grade student at Marlowe Middle School. Other award winners were Emily Ehardt and Kathryn Moore, who are in the eighth and sixth grades, respectively, at Dundee Middle School; Sheila Sagear and Veronica Mercurio, in the seventh and sixth grades, respectively, at Marlowe Middle School; and Zach Lucas, a sophomore at Huntley High School.

## **Still have just group insurance?**

As a Knights of Columbus field agent, I hear about group life insurance every week. If you have it, it's certainly not a bad thing, but it can be a misleading security blanket. Most times, the amount offered is far from what you need and the only way to determine what you need is with a comprehensive needs analysis. Your group coverage is not based on any analysis. Instead, they apply a formula: you make X amount in salary and the group life is either a flat amount (\$15,000 seems popular) or a multiple of your salary (somewhere between 1.5 and 2.5 is common). Either way, it has nothing to do with the number of children you have, the mortgage balance you carry or the amount of

money your wife would need if you die. It's a completely random number.

It can also disappear at any time. All of us know people – friends, family members and neighbors – who have lost their jobs. When the job is lost, so is the group life insurance coverage. If the company experiences difficulty and budgets need to be cut, group life can be reduced or eliminated. And that decision could be made at the worst possible time for you.

Most group life insurance coverage reduces or disappears when you retire. Many times it can be converted, but at a very expensive premium (remember, you're no kid anymore when you retire, and premiums do rise as you get older). Just because you turn 65 doesn't mean you no longer need life insurance or need less coverage. Actually, the opposite is true.

Do you still own just group life insurance? It must be supplemented with a personally owned portfolio. I can tell you exactly how to blend your group benefit with your K of C life insurance so things can be in your control. Don't let the feeling of security that group life provides distract you from the real issue: taking control of your family's financial future!

Brian Giangreggo  
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## **Donate Your Books**

Brother Jerry Plaszczewski has a friend who is starting a shelter for Veterans in Woodstock. He is creating a library for the Veterans to enjoy & is in need of books on history, politics, biographies, sports, etc. If you are interested in donating your books, please contact Alan Belcher, Executive Director of Transitional Living at (815) 334-0540.

**\*\*\* Newsletter Submissions \*\*\*** Please email your articles and photos to [huntley11666newsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:huntley11666newsletter@yahoo.com) by the 15 of every month.

## Huntley Knights in Action



Brother Don Moore enjoying his double



Brothers Mike Grunthaner & Phil Riccio keeping things organized



GK Don, wondering what he got himself into?



**(Front row) Joseph Park 13, Kyle Owens 10, Katie Weidner 10. (Back row) Tamara Funke 14, Alexa Brown 12, Erin Huckins 13, Morgan Clausen 11, and Knight Jerry O'Sullivan**

