



2014

Council 207

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Knights of Columbus

Brother Knights, Family Members, Readers, Friends

Now that we are in the fall season, our Council will again be doing our Communion Breakfasts. Our first Communion Breakfast is scheduled for October 12th. Mass will begin at 11 AM at the council, with a breakfast to follow. The following day is Columbus Day, and the Ladies Auxiliary will be bringing in happy hour snacks to help celebrate. The bar will be open for normal hours so please stop in between 3 PM and close!

Also, in October, there will be a Third Degree Exemplification in Geneva. The Degree will begin at noon on Saturday, October 25; and the fee is \$10 per candidate. If any Second Degree member is interested (or knows of someone who might be interested) please contact me for additional information.

Another major event we have coming up is the Past Grand Knight's dinner for Jeff DeChick. The dinner is scheduled for November 15th. All of the details on the event have not yet been determined; however, they will be posted on the website as more information becomes available. Please stop down to the Knights soon to pick up your tickets!

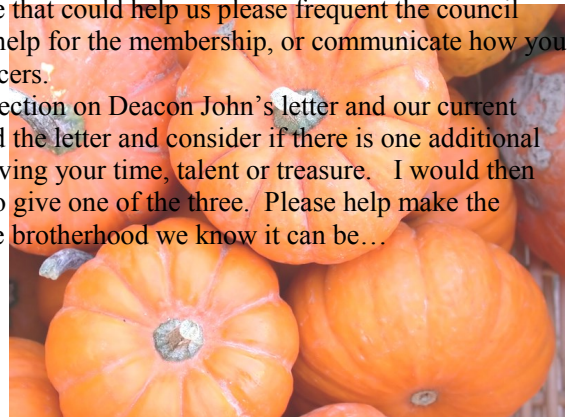
Having just written about some of the upcoming events at the Knights, I feel it only appropriate to mention the fantastic Back to School Disco Party the ladies hosted. I would first like to thank the Ladies Auxiliary and Dave Henry for all the hard work they put in to make the Back to School Party a huge success. Ask anyone who attended and they will tell you how much fun the event was, and how awesome it was to have a lighted disco floor for the party! Sam Giangreco had some memories from the 70s and many people donated school supplies and funds to the cause. And last but not least, I'd like to thank Jeff Gage for donating his time and talents as DJ for us for the night.

In conclusion, I'd like to call everyone's attention to a letter Deacon John Tomandl wrote. The background behind this is fairly simple. Recently, a topic of discussion has been a lack of participation from more of our members. Effectively, we as the membership would like to see more participation from our pool of over 900 members. One could use the phrase "many hands make light work" to summarize the thoughts expressed; and that's part of it. As I read Deacon John's letter, I think back to another phrase popular in my days in Catholic schooling and Vacation Bible School – Time, Talent and Treasure. Treasure is obviously a simple one, and there are many ways one could do that at the Council. Purchasing C & B Tickets, Building Fund tickets and donating to our Christmas Appeal are great examples of that. Time isn't always as simple with everyone's work schedule and family commitments; but even simply setting aside 1 hour on the 4th Thursday of the month to attend Council meetings, would be a huge help for our Council. Giving talent to the Council generally comes either by being more involved and volunteering or by members asking for your support. Therefore, if there is a talent you have that could help us please frequent the council and/or meetings to consider offering help for the membership, or communicate how you would be willing to help with the officers.

Now that I've shared my reflection on Deacon John's letter and our current situation, I ask you to prayerfully read the letter and consider if there is one additional way you could help the Council by giving your time, talent or treasure. I would then ask you to do at least one more step to give one of the three. Please help make the Knights of Columbus Council 207 the brotherhood we know it can be...

Fraternally yours,

Alex Vanderpool
Grand Knight



A letter From Deacon John:

Brother Knights, I write to you in order to urge you to always pray that your faith not weaken and your resolve to follow Christ not be sidetracked. As Catholics, we are called to be Christ to the world – to reach out beyond ourselves, beyond our parishes, beyond our faith to touch the lives of the poor, the disenfranchised, the marginalized of our world.

Brothers, Council 207 has been a magnificent example of being Christ to the world for over a 100 years! The Knights have been in the forefront of charity, fraternity and faith. We are the action arm of the Church and much of the positive work of the Church in Central New York is directly or indirectly traceable to the Knights initiatives.

Council 207 must be maintained, updated and supported by its membership if it is to survive and continue its good work and Christian action. Why did you join the Knights originally? Was it for Catholic fellowship? – Insurance coverage? – Joining a sports team sponsored by the Knights? – Becoming part of a social club? ... Whatever the reasons, and honestly there are no bad reasons to have joined for all of those listed and others are all used by God to inspire us to action, you must not become complacent or withdraw from the Knights community if we are to continue to provide Catholic leadership and ministry to the larger community.

We have over 900 members – an average of 20 or less come to meetings. We have seen so many of our members stop coming to the council home that there have been days that the club is frequented by only 1 or 2 people. Revenues have fallen, and thus, our charitable works have had to be restricted. Is the future bleak? BY NO MEANS! The future is always lived out in God's plan. But, we Catholic men have been inspired by the Holy Spirit to step up and lead the Church into the world! We must not falter or fade! I ask you to renew your commitment to the Knights – to come down and socialize – to take part in our charitable work [C & B ticket sales are way below there they should be – and don't forget, those sales help not only the national Knights do their charitable work but also the local, with a lot of those dollars coming directly back to us from the New York State Council – come to meetings – come to events – BE INVOLVED!

We all know that we can't earn God's love or our salvation ... that comes to us from a loving God who wants us to know and love Him. But we MUST respond to God's love for us by loving others (even those who are unlovable) and for a Catholic man, the Knights of Columbus offers the best way in which to do that! Being an active Knight IS BEING AN ACTIVE CATHOLIC! Being an active Knight is a commitment to your faith and well serves the Church and our faith.

God bless you all – I look forward to seeing you at the council in the coming weeks.

OCTOBER 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12-Communion Breakfast @ the Council—Mass at 11:00	13-Bar Opens at 3:00—Happy Hour Snack	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23-Council Meeting @ 7:00	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

UPCOMING EVENT SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 15
JEFF DECHICK'S PAST GRAND
NIGHT DINNER

NOVEMBER 16
2ND SCHEDULED COMMUNION
BREAKFAST

NOVEMBER 27
COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:00 P.M.

DECEMBER 7
3RD SCHEDULED COMMUNION
BREAKFAST

Thoughts from our Knights of Columbus Field Agent:

Dear members,

What if you or your spouse was taken unexpectedly from this earth? Would your family be able to carry on with the life style they are accustomed to? To make sure your Loved Ones are protected; please call me for a free updated needs analysis on your current Insurance program. A small affordable adjustment may help you sleep better knowing you have your family protected .

Call me at [315-406-9038](tel:315-406-9038) for a brief appointment today (E-mail-at Mark.Covich@KofC.org)

Mark Covich



Dear Brother Knights:

I have been asked again to Chair the C&B program for Council 207. The C&B (Charitable & Benevolent) fund can be a great way for Council 207 to raise money for our charitable donations. Every book we sell for \$13.00 we get to keep \$6.00 and \$1.00 for Tyburn Academy, who fills out the books for you. We have over nine hundred members; if each member purchased ONE book we would make \$5,400. We sold 285 books last year, to 157 members which brought in \$1,705.00 and \$285.00 for Tyburn. Out of the \$1,705.00 we needed to pay for the mailing and postage which was over \$400.00. So this year we are including the coupon and letter in our monthly bulletin for September, saving the cost of a mailing. We hope that you will fill out the coupon and mail it to the council, or just bring it in and drop it off. Individual tickets are also available at the Council. The prizes for the raffle are as follows: Grand prize \$25,000.00, 2nd prize \$10,000.00, 3rd prize \$5,000.00 and 10 prizes of \$1,000.00. We would like to make this a successful fundraiser for the Knights of Columbus this year and appreciate any support in purchasing books.

The council thanks you all for your cooperation in this Endeavour. May God Bless You All.

Fraternally yours,
Tom Crawford, PGK

Please make your check payable to: **Knights of Columbus, Council #207**

Number of Books: _____ x \$13.00/Book = \$ _____

Enclosed Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Return to: Knights of Columbus C&B Fundraiser, 47 Market Street, Auburn, New York 13021



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O Prince of peace, we humbly ask your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity and devotion the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Guard our churches, our homes, our schools, our hospitals, our factories our buildings and all those within from harm and peril. Protect our land and it's peoples from enemies within and without. Grant an early peace with victory founded upon justice. Instill in the hearts and minds of men and women everywhere a firm purpose to live forever in peace and good will toward all. Amen.

November 23rd : Knights of Columbus \$100 Benefit Raffle
I know this one is some time in the future, but tickets are going on sale now. The early bird drawing will be held October 28th, so try to get your ticket before then. If you have any questions, please contact the council.

Knights of Columbus \$100.00 Benefit Raffle

FIRST PRIZE - \$5,000.00

2nd Prize - \$1,500 • 3rd Prize - \$1,000

4th-6th Prizes - \$500 ea. • Nine - \$150 drawings

(prizes based on 225 tickets sold - need not be present to win)

Drawing - November 23, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.

Knights of Columbus, Market Street, Auburn

Open Bar & Buffet - 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

— DONATION - \$100.00 • GUEST - \$20.00 extra —

\$500 Early Bird Drawing - October 28, 2014 (tickets paid in full only)

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