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Brother Knights,

We are about halfway through our Fraternal year, and with the Spring-like weather, it certainly has been a short Winter.

Now that the days are getting longer, we are going to be ramping up for a number of activities occurring this coming Spring – especially the State Convention.

We have a few activities coming up in the next month that I encourage all of you to participate in.

- January 10 – Regular Council Meeting – 7PM in the St. Clare Room. Please attend if you can.
- January 22 – Pancake Breakfast to benefit the St. Francis of Assisi School. Consider helping out at this pancake breakfast and sign up at the Council meeting.
- February 2 – Free Throw Contest – We’re still looking for a couple of volunteers to assist with this program. We’re holding it during Catholic Schools Week to encourage additional participation.
- February 11 – Annual Wine Tasting event. Please come out and support your brother Knights in this evening of fun and festivity. Since it’s right before Valentine’s Day, what a perfect way to spend an evening with your sweetie.

I look forward to seeing you all at the January 10th meeting.

Fraternally,

Chuck Mosier
Grand Knight



RESPECT FOR LIFE FLOWER SALE

We did reasonably well this year. It was a bit nerve racking as the sales started out very slowly, and by the time the tickets were due, we were way behind. Then all of a sudden they poured in, a bit late, but fortunately soon enough. We ended up with 108 sales. And we also thank you Knights that didn't order any flowers but gave us a donation instead. Last year we had 118 sales. Maybe the present economy is a factor, as we have sold as many as 137. Our cost for mailing and ticket printing does not increase with sales, so when we sell more bouquets the last flower sales give us higher profit.

Our final net profit this year is \$595.55. Included in this is an extra \$60 because Jerry's Flowers gave us a very good price on the Autumn Bouquet. We thank them very much for that favor. In view of the late start we are happy with \$595.55. But we are going to try for 140 sales next year! We have a couple of ideas we'll try.

A sincere thanks to all of you Knights that participated in this fund raiser. The amount raised will go into our charity fund.

John Spading and John Hunt Respect for Life Flower Sale co-directors

INITIATION AT LOURDES ON SUNDAY MARCH 4TH - ALL THREE DEGREES TO BE CONFERRED

We have a very good date for initiations this year as it is early in March, and also we will have all three degrees conferred. That is

also a good move. Previously the State Council wanted only second and third, but finally it was apparent it was not easy to get First Degree Knights to the Second and Third Degree, so they relented and now will confirm all three degrees.

We do have 26 First Degree Knights. This is a great time to have you Second and Third Degrees conferred.

First Degree starts at 10: a.m., Second Degree starts at 11:30 a.m., and Third Degree will start at 12:45 a.m.

Knights receiving Degrees should register in at Lourdes one-half hour before the degree. First Degree at 9:30 a.m., and Second and Third Degree at 11 a.m. We have no Knights that need just the 3rd Degree.

To be initiated your yearly dues must be paid. Otherwise there is no extra charge. You must bring your Knights of Columbus card to the initiation. I will mail to most of you a form 100 that is also needed, and bring that along also.

There is usually a lunch after the initiations are finished. Knights from all over Southern Minnesota will be initiated, so it is interesting to meet some of these new Knights, and also get a chance to talk to some of the Knights that do the ceremony.

Please plan to receive this initiation if you possibly can.

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**WINE TASTING SET FOR SATURDAY
EVENING FEBRUARY 11TH**

Our popular and successful Wine Tasting event is now set for Saturday, February 11th at St. Francis. It will again be in McCarthy Hall, and the event will start at 7 p.m. and last until 9 p.m. Apollo Liquor Store is again arranging for a group of representatives from various vineries to be present with

samples of their wines. We have had great attendance in the past, and a good time was had by all, so circle this date! You know this is very close to Valentine Day! All profit from the event will be donated to charity. Just which charities will be decided at the January 10th regular meeting.

Happy Birthday!

January Birthdays

DAVID KLINKHAMMER	3
ROBERT ZILLER	8
JAMES COLEMAN	9
DONALD BALTES	14
DAVID PLEVAK	16
FRANCIS HILDMAN	28
JON SCHULTZ	28



Dates To Remember

Saturday, January 7th, 5:30 pm

K of C Social in St. Clare Room

Tuesday, January 10th, 7:00 pm

Monthly Meeting in St. Clare Room

Sunday, January 22nd

Deluxe Pancake Breakfast

Friday, February 3rd, 7:00 pm

Support Our Catholic Schools (SOCS)

International Event Center

Luncheon: 11:30 - 1:30

Happy Hour: 5:00 - 7:30 pm

Saturday, February 11th

Wine Tasting Event in St. Clare Room

Tuesday, February 14th, 7:00 pm

Monthly Meeting in St. Clare Room

Sunday, March 4th, 2012

Degree Initiations at Lourdes High School

Sunday, March 25, 2012

Deluxe Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, May 20, 2012

Deluxe Pancake Breakfast