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Top State Council 2001-2002 **Double Star Council 2008-2009**

New Officers installed for 2011-2012



"Pictured are the Council 11208 Officers for 2011-2012 including Keith Dunnigan, District Deputy (front row-right). Grand Knight, Frank Collette, and his fellow officers were installed by Msgr. Johnson and DD Dunnigan during the Program Meeting held on July 11TH."

CONGRATULATIONS!



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Frank Collette
Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

Charity, the first of the four degrees and the foremost principle of the Knights of Columbus. The foundation from which the knights were built and where we gain our strength. Charity isn't only giving a monetary donation to the church or an organization that is there to help the less fortunate. Although

these donations are important, the gifts of time and talent are far more valuable than most realize. We all went through the first degree ceremony to become Knights of Columbus, so I believe that we all understand the importance of this degree "Charity".

Giving of ourselves is sometimes difficult, but as in the song The Prayer of Saint Francis "For it is in giving that we receive". I believe this to be true, as I have seen it first hand. My father is faithful to his church and has always given his time and talents to help the priest and church when called to do something. When my mother passed away 8 years ago, the priest of his church was there to support my father. He knew the things my dad had done and the time he spent, usually at his request. My parents didn't plan for their own passing, which most of us don't. They didn't have burial plots in the church cemetery, Father Magary came to my father and gave him the deed to a plot for my mother and him, and the plot were next to my grandparent's grave. I believe this gift to my father was a result of all his charitable work to the church, school and with his Knights council. This reaffirmed by belief that "What goes around comes around", and the good things we do will result in good things.

A reoccurring theme in a lot of these letters to the membership is the call for more knights to volunteer. Recruiting new members and volunteer work is the most important thing we can do to keep our Knights of Columbus council a strong and respected organization in our church and community. So ask yourself, can I spend some of my time helping the knights? If the answer is YES, don't hesitate to step up and get more involved the next time you are asked.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!!
Frank

CHURCH

As we enter another fiscal year for the K of C, we start all the project again. There will be changes for these projects in the 2011-2012 Fiscal Year. As for the Church Program, We will be starting our "Pennies For Heaven" campaign in September. The first of three collections for this year will be the weekend of September 10 and 11. Details will follow. If any one has ideas for the Church Program, feel free to discuss those with me. New ideas are always welcome.

**God Bless.
Ed Olenhouse,
Church Program**

PRO LIFE

40 Days for Life

Again this fall, St. Brendan's Knights of Columbus and the St. Brendan Parish community will join in the nationwide 40 Days for Life campaign. This peaceful prayer vigil is held in over 200 cities in 40 states and locally the vigil is held at Complete Health Care for Women at 5888 Cleveland Avenue in North Columbus . St. Brendan's has adopted Friday October 14th as our day to pray for the unborn that are being taken from the safety of their Mothers at this facility. The vigil is held from 6:00 AM through 6:00 PM and is a peaceful, non-confrontational prayer vigil. Posters with positive messages will be available stating we are Pro-Life and we support life. For additional information please visit 40daysforlife.com and/or youtube videos or contact Roger File rfile@columbus.rr.com to volunteer for a one hour – more or less – time to hold vigil.

Christmas in September

Plans are being made to hold a "Christmas in September" collection for the Pregnancy Decision Health Centers (PDHC) four local Pro-Life centers that assists troubled women in their time of need. This will be similar to the Christmas time Giving Tree with a Christmas Tree in the gathering area with gift tags with items needed by PDHC. This will be in conjunction with Lifeteen with the support of the entire Parish family and the Knights of Columbus. This is a new event for Lifeteen and the Parish to show that we are not only Pro-Life for the unborn but are Pro-Life for the babies and their families.

Masses for the Unborn

Our Knights of Columbus Council jointly with the Respect Life Committee of St. Brendan's offer Masses for the Protection of the Unborn the first Sunday of each month at the 10:30 Mass, please pray with us at these masses.

Television shows shouldn't glorify teen pregnancy

Are we glorifying teen pregnancy? Shows such as *16 and Pregnant* and *Teen Mom* might be doing just that. Although the shows intersperse episodes with commercials about abstinence and safe-sex (not a Catholic Church teaching) methods, many teenage girls watch and hope someday that could be them. In the U.S. , three in 10 girls will become pregnant before the age of 20. Teen moms are most often unprepared to care, mentally and financially, for a newborn. Babies born to teens are more likely to be premature, have low birth weight and other serious health problems when compared to babies born to women over 20. Only 40% of teen moms go on to finish high school after having a baby. These shows are sending the wrong message, it is the parent's responsibility to monitor what children are watching. Talk about your child's future plans to go to college or get a dream job.

Roger File, Pro-Life Committee

Free Birth Control

President Obama's Secretary of Health and Human Services announced this week that despite the protests of millions of Americans (including tens of thousands of CV members), birth control must be covered for FREE by nearly every health insurance plan in America.

That's right. The Obama administration now considers the birth of a child "preventative care" – akin to care to avoid illnesses. In fact, Sec. Sebelius defended the new mandates saying: "Not doing it would be like not covering flu shots."

This means that starting January 1, 2013, nearly every health insurance plan will be forced to cover birth control, sterilizations, and Ella and Plan B (both of which kill a child before he or she can implant in their mothers womb).

All of this will be subsidized by you or anyone who has health insurance. And all of this will be available free, without even a co-pay.

This decision by the Obama administration is nothing but a federally-mandated handout to the monstrous abortion industry. In fact, NARAL called this "the biggest victory for women's health in a generation."

But it gets worse. In an effort to keep us quiet, Sebelius and HHS allowed for a so-called "religious exemption" -- that honestly *is an insult*.

Cardinal Daniel DiNardo explained:

*"Under the new rule our institutions would be free to act in accord with Catholic teaching on life and pro-creation **only** if they were to stop hiring and serving non-Catholics. (emphasis added) "Could the federal government possibly intend to pressure Catholic institutions to cease providing health care, education and charitable services to the general public?"*

Catholic organizations that serve the sick and the poor have always opened their doors to persons of all faith or no faith. But under this new rule, if a Catholic institution employs, or cares for a non-Catholic, they will not qualify for the exemption.

In essence, the Obama administration is saying: "Catholics must subsidize birth control, abortions and sterilizations or stop practicing their faith." This is outrageous.

Full Court Press

You and I petitioned the Obama administration to stop this mandate and they ignored us, plain and simple. So what now?

CV Civic Action is organized to mobilize Catholic voters across the country to petition Congress and the White House. Our aim is to organize Catholics in such a way where our voice will be more powerful when acting together than acting alone. But we don't stop there.

When laws or regulations such as this new mandate are forced upon us, we have more options. The **CV Legal Fund** is set up to fund expert attorneys to challenge unjust and unconstitutional mandates such as this. We are already exploring the legal options available to fight this new mandate in court.

Finally, we live in a republic. And this remains the most important option available to us -- the ballot box. If you don't like the persons passing laws or (in this case) mandating new regulations, then you elect new people to Congress or you elect a new President. That's why we established the

CatholicVote SuperPAC.

We can't reveal everything we are working on right now, but I want you to know that we are laying the groundwork for an explosive campaign effort in 2012.

You can help us prepare for 2012 right now by telling your friends about our mission to educate and mobilize the Catholic vote. Visit http://catholicvote.org/index.php?invite_others and connect your friends to the CatholicVote movement. The Obama administration may have ignored us again. But very soon they will learn that ignoring the Catholic vote has consequences.

Sincerely, **Brian Burch, President - CatholicVote.org**

INSURANCE

A new fraternal year is upon us. Congratulations to our newly elected grand knights, as well as all the other dedicated brother Knights who will serve in either an elected and appointed leadership position in the coming year. I'm sure you have a list of goals and objectives that you intend to accomplish during the coming year. You have my assurance that I'm eager to help.

One of these goals is surely the attainment of the Star Council award - the most prestigious award the Order offers at the council level. I'm certainly committed to helping on the insurance side, but I'll be glad to help on the membership side as well.

If you know an eligible Catholic man who might be interested in joining the Order (and who among us doesn't), he's probably just waiting to be asked. I can help you, either by approaching him myself, or by "coaching" you - transferring sales skills that you can use to recruit him and other prospects. As always, I'm at your service.

Let's get an early start on attaining those goals and objectives that are so critical to the growth of any council.

Please call Mark Mandel at 614-308-2294 or email markmandel@wowway.com. Call me - let's talk.

In Memoriam

Claire Olenhouse - July 14, 1921 - July 22, 2011
Mother of Brother Ed Olenhouse

Otto Mowery November 5, 1934 - July 23, 2011
Father of Brother Dave Mowery

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.
Amen.

Council 11208 Memorial Committee

Happy Birthday to all of our Knights in August



JOHN RIGGS 1-Aug
WALTER BOYUK 4-Aug
CRAIG FRANZ 4-Aug
PHILIP HARRIS 4-Aug
DAVID MAZZEI 9-Aug
DANIEL PUGH 10-Aug
EDWARD ZIRINGER 10-Aug
GERARD RIENDEAU 11-Aug
MICHAEL YUZWA 11-Aug
RICHARD MOELLER 12-Aug
WILLIAM BULGER 14-Aug
GARY ZAPF 15-Aug
MARTIN MITCHELL 15-Aug

TIMOTHY RYAN 16-Aug
JERRY ABRAHAM 18-Aug
WILLIAM SALIGA 21-Aug
RAYMOND HINKELMAN 25-Aug
JONATHAN BRYAN 25-Aug
CHRISTOPHER ALTENBURG 26-Aug
RICHARD CLARK 27-Aug
JAMES SCHLUNT 28-Aug
JAMES GROOSS 29-Aug
RODRIC DI PIETRO 30-Aug

August Calendar Items

Wed 17 - Membership Meeting
Wed 31 - Program Meeting

September Calendar Items

Thu 01 - Cols. Chapter Meeting
Wed 21 - Membership Meeting
Wed 28 - Program Meeting

**Tune in and
be
inspired.**



Do you have any inputs for our monthly newsletter? You can submit stories and pictures of interest to our Knights members. Please submit your inputs no later than the first day of each calendar month to Fred Kerner at joc93@yahoo.com.

St. Brendan Parish

FESTIVAL

AUGUST 12 & 13

*We need your
help!*

This is the largest fundraiser of the year for our Parish. Only 67% of the volunteer slots have been filled. If there are not enough volunteers to staff this event the festival will close each evening at 10 p.m. If you haven't signed up to help please do so. Help our Parish raise these much needed funds .

Volunteer Now!