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Grand Knight's Report

Brother Jack Ryan

January sure flew by in a hurry! Our council accomplished a lot of successful events in the opening month of 2010, beginning with the Roses for Life campaign, a restart of the Monday Knight Basketball recruiting events, the annual Free Throw Championship, Essay Contest, hosting the KofC Kansas City Chapter meeting, and concluding with great attendance at our Fifth Sunday Mass and breakfast.

Our council received a round of applause from everyone present at the chapter meeting when I reported that we had sent 1,300 signed Roses for Life to Rep. Emanuel Cleaver! And at least two more potential members completed Form 100s at the Knight Out at Sand Trap! My thanks to all the many Knights who participated in making these events such a success.

We have a moment to catch our breath, as the only thing currently on the agenda for February is the Fifth Grade Vocations Day, which still needs volunteers to help in various areas (contact Phil Muellner at 508-9959 or philipmuellner@att.net for information.)

Our insurance agent, Mike York, has promised to attend our February meeting. We still need more insurance members in order to achieve Star or Double Star Council, and I highly recommend the Knights of Columbus program. We'll also be judging the essays submitted for the competition after the meeting, so let's be sure to get a good turnout.

We want to keep the momentum going from last year, especially in recruiting, so we'll again participate in the "Father Invites You to Join" program, featuring an Open House for potential Knights recommended by Father Don.

We're also planning a winter or spring dance for the school. I know there are a lot of other great ideas out there, so be sure to bring them to the meeting.

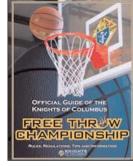
Have a fun, blessed St. Valentine's Day.

-Vivat Jesus!

Free Throw Championship

The council level competition for the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship was held on Sunday, January 24 in STM School gym. The competition was open to all boys and girls from age 10 to 14.

The following boys and girls were tops in their age group:



AGE 10		Bridget Roudebush Charlie Krebs
AGE 11		Tess Rellihan Jack Powell
AGE 12		Mary Mertes Danny Murphy
AGE 13		Samantha Ruiz Sam Krebs
AGE 14	Girls Boys	Mackenzie Manning Brad Yancey

These winners advance to District 9 competition, to be held Sunday, February 7 at Coronation of Our Lady Gym in Grandview. Contestants can come any time from 1 to 3 pm, complete their free throws, and leave when they want (*no conflict with the Super Bowl*).

The Western Regional competition will be at 1 PM Sunday, February 21, at Kearney High School. The State Championship will be at noon on Sunday, March 21 at Helias High School in Jefferson City.

see photos from the local contest on page two



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Knight Out @ Sand Trap

On Monday, January 18, Council 14270 members enjoyed a Knight Out @ Sand Trap. Attendance was up, and so far three who attended have taken their first degree. Future Knights Out will be on the third Monday of the month.

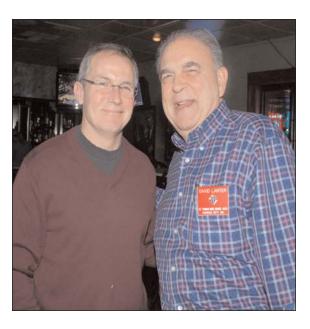
On February 15, the basketball lineup will be :

6 PM – Connecticut @ Villanova

8 рм – Kansas @ Texas A&M

Come for the half price burgers and college basketball, and bring a friend you think would make a great addition to the council.

Brochures with information on the Knights and Council 14270 will be available, along with Form 100s.







From the District Deputy

District 9 Deputy Tony Berter

District 9 has recruited 58% of its goal this year. Please continue to invite all Catholic gentlemen from your parishes to join.

The next 2nd and 3rd Degree Ceremony will be in Clinton, Mo. on Sunday, February 21. Candidates need to arrive at Holy Rosary Church no later than 1 PM.

Honorary Life Membership

Five STM Knights have become Honorary Life Members:

Rocky Hembree David Lanter Ross Marine Joseph Smith Ron Tavernaro

Honorary Life Membership is conferred after age 65 with at least 25 years of service.

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Fifth Grade Vocation Days

Vocations Chairman Phil Muellner

The Kansas City–St. Joseph Diocese needs your help on Wednesday, February 10 and Thursday, February 11 for a few hours. Herald McDermed is in charge of the Fifth Grade Vocation Days held at O'Hara High School, 9001 James A. Reed Rd. The program has been held for many years, sponsored by diocesan Knights of Columbus councils to introduce the idea of religious life to the children.

Fifth graders from the diocese gather to hear vocation stories on priesthood and the consecrated life. Sessions include a talk by Bishop Robert Finn, presentations by priests, brothers and sisters, and opening and closing sessions with music and other vocation activities. With a decline in the number of religious these days, we as Catholics need to think about the future.

The program includes a morning snack and lunch. Volunteers are needed both days to help set up and serve the food. Plan on being there from 8:30 AM until about 1:30 PM. Bishop Finn will celebrate noon Mass at St. Regis Church each day.

STM Council has approved a donation of \$100 to assist this program. If you have time, please help this worthy cause. Some of these students may be inspired to consider a call to religious life. Please contact me if you would like to volunteer.

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Welcome New Members!

Three new members took the first degree on Tuesday, February 2 at O'Hara Council:

Phil Paschang Ken Woodward Gafoaga Visesio

Attending were members Tom Kenagy, Tom Steffens, Gene Twellman, Grand Knight Jack Ryan and Darin Kamradt.





Kansas City Chapter Meeting

The Kansas City Chapter meeting was hosted by Council 14270 on January 25 in More Hall. The nearly 50 guests were treated to a dinner of salad, pizza and tasty desserts. Grand Knight Jack Ryan reports positive comments from attendees, and a big round of applause for the 1,300 Roses for Life the council sent to Washington.





Fifth Sunday January 31– Dos de Oros Next Fifth Sunday: May 30













CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thu Feb 4	Council 14270 Leader Meeting	
7:00 рм	Huhmann Room	
Sun Feb 7	District 9 Free Throw Championship	
1:00 to 3:00 рм	Coronation of Our Lady gym	
Thu Feb 11	Council 14270 Business Meeting	
7:15 рм	More Hall D	
Mon Feb 15	Knight Out for Big Monday	
6:00 рм to ?	Sand Trap Bar & Grill	
Wed Mar 17	1st Degree Ceremony	
arrive by 6:30 PM	Belton Council 5586	
Wed Mar 21	1st Degree Ceremony	
arrive by 1:30 PM	Raytown Council 4962	
Tue Apr 6	1st Degree Ceremony	
arrive by 7:00 рм	O'Hara Council 4387	
Sat April 10	4th Degree Exemplification	
arrive by 7:30 PM	Airport Hilton	
Wed May 13	1st Degree Ceremony	
arrive by 6:30 PM	Raytown Council 4962	
Wed May 19	1st Degree Ceremony	
arrive by 6:30 PM	Belton Council 5586	
Sun May 30	Fifth Sunday Mass	
9:30 Mass	<i>≫ breakfast follows</i>	
Tue Jun 1	1st Degree Ceremony	
arrive by 7:00 рм	O'Hara Council 4387	
Wed Jun 27	1st Degree Ceremony	
arrive by 12:30 PM	Raytown Council 4962	

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Items of Interest

 Craig Borgmeyer has agreed to serve as council Youth Director. Please contact him if you would like to serve on the Youth Committee. >cborgmeyer@kc.rr.com

At the January 14 council meeting, a \$100 donation to 5th Grade Vocation Days was approved.

The 2009 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity for Council 14270 has been submitted to Supreme. A copy is posted on the council website on the Past Events page under STM Council 14270.

■ Dues notices have been sent. If you have not received yours, contact Tom Steffens. >tomsteffens@charter.net

Entries in the Knights of Columbus Youth Essay Contest will be judged at the council meeting on Thursday, February 11. Plan to attend and help Brother Paul Hentzen identify the prize-winning essays.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

01	Mary Pazell	20	Susan Hoefer
04	Kathy Hopfinger	21	Mary Kim Henehan
06	David Lanter	23	Clarice Mosnick
08	David Markus		Cheryl Steffens
10	Katherine Long	26	Martha Hense
12	Alex McManus	27	Gary Hense
16	Linda Huber		Rita Hense
17	Joanne Reagan	28	Joseph Smith
19	Jeanne Holmes		

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

05 Tom & Lenore Simone (1955 – 55 years)
09 Larry & Clarice Mosnick (1952 - 58 years)
15 David & Katherine Long (1958 – 52 years)
18 Joe & Mary Gawron (1970 – 40 years)
29 Paul & Sarah Jokerst (1992 – 18 years)

YEARS OF SERVICE

07 Jack Ryan (1995 – 15 years)

Knights of Columbus Retreat

United in Charity: Preparing for the Paschal Mystery *Friday supper through Sunday lunch, March 19-21*

Take a weekend apart with other Knights at Conception Abbey to refresh and renew your hearts and souls for the celebration of Christ's Paschal Mystery.

Fr. Patrick Caveglia and seminarian Knights will lead reflections. Pray the Liturgy of the Hours with the monastic community and celebrate the Eucharist in the basilica with the monks and seminarians. Ample time for personal quiet and prayer.

Suggested donation for lodging, meals and conferences: \$125 single, \$200 double accommodations.

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