



Knights of Columbus

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May 2016

Next meeting
June 14 at 7 p.m.

News Summary By Joe Tinervia

- If you want to have something emailed to all the Knights, send Steve Riikonen the request, and he will copy and paste it into an email sent to everyone.
- The Vocational Fund collected \$73 from members attending our May meeting.
- Last month's spaghetti dinner netted approximately \$1100 for Elkhart County Right to Life. Thanks for your support.
- Come to the fish fry on Friday, May 20 from 5-7 p.m.!!
- May 29th activities: Rosary at St. Thomas at 11 a.m.; free-will offering breakfast at Elkhart Columbus Club 8-11 a.m.; Corpus Christi procession that starts at St. Thomas at 3:30 p.m. and ends at St. Vincent's parish.
- June 3 Rosary at St. Vincent's will start at 6:30 p.m., a half hour early because of the Sacred Heart of Jesus mass that will start at 7 p.m.
- We are looking for volunteers to help with a fish fry on Saturday, June 4, from 5-8 p.m. to coincide with the city's efforts promoting the free fishing weekend. Also, mark your calendars for attending this fish fry, **to-go orders only**, and it includes fish and fries.
- New awnings were installed on the building showing the Elkhart Columbus Club name and logo as part of the continuing effort to transition ownership of the building to the ECC.
- Scott Chris has been repainting the inside of the hall. Please thank him for his efforts. Also, thanks to Sam Staltari, who donated the paint and materials for this.
- The Elkhart Columbus Club is looking at performing maintenance repairs on the roof over the lounge area. They will also be investigating pricing for a new roof in preparation for a possible future capital campaign for such expenditure.
- The slate of officers was read during the meeting. The election will be held during the June meeting. Be there to vote!
- Scholarship committee met last month and has selected this year's scholarship recipient, who will be announced during the Appreciation Dinner on Monday, June 6; cocktails at 5:30, dinner at 6 p.m.
- Rick Fry is submitting a form to Supreme to apply for \$500 for our Christmas Food Basket program.

We Stand Strong on Ethical Ground, cont.

But don't just take our word for it. In 2016, the Knights of Columbus was named a "World's Most Ethical Company" by the Ethisphere Institute for the third year in a row. We were one of only two life insurance companies to earn the honor.

"Faithful Catholics have choices when buying life insurance," said the Supreme Knight. "But they know that at the Knights of Columbus their policy is supplied by an insurer that shares their moral and ethical values and is guided in all of its investment and sales practices by those values."

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Brother Knights,

It is safe to come back to the meetings. The officers have been nominated and read for the first time. Thanks to everyone who has stepped into a leadership role for our club to continue the tradition of stewardship in our community.

If you haven't been down to the club lately, I encourage you to stop by. We have new awnings out front with the Elkhart Columbus Club logo, and the hall has been repainted, thanks to Scott Chris, who did the painting, and Sam Staltari, who donated all of the materials to get the job done.

We still have a few activities going on before we take a summer vacation. Please join us for the fish fry on May 20th or an extra fish fry on June 4th in connection with a fishing event with the city. We also have a free-will offering breakfast on the 5th Sunday, May 29th. Stop by before or after church for a great breakfast made to order. We will also have our appreciation dinner on June 6th. This is our opportunity to thank the many members of our club who volunteer, pitch in and generally make our club so special. I hope to see everyone there.

GK Steve Riikonen



May The Month of Mary

Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now and at
the hour of our death. Amen.

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In Our Prayers

Brothers, their family members, and others who are in need of our prayers are remembered at the meetings. We would like you to also remember them in your prayers. They include: Pope Francis, Pope Emeritus Benedict, all Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Religious, all expectant mothers, Andy Baker, Gene Caravez, Tony Dibley, Esther Dyer, Cherie Fish, Jon Fish, the Scott Green family, Braden Hartman, Tim Johnson, the LaGree family, Jim Linn, Connie Nicodemus, Parker Nicodemus, Mitch Nihart, Kevin and Delenne O'Connor, Kevin O'Connor, Mark O'Connor, Chuck Ornduff, Bob and Ericka Reese, Sam Rodino family, Mike Russo, Sue Sailor, Steve Spretnjak, Gene Terabek, Mrs. Tierney and the Winer family.

May Meeting

Members at the meeting on May 10 were as follows: Jon Fish, Joe Tinervia, Lee Evers, Harry Palmer, Steve Riikonen, James J. Knopick, Richard Scheve, Jeff Robertson, Earl Huxhold, George Kalil, Rick Frye, Larry Scalise, Steven Gonsoski, Steve Revelli, Vern Miller, and Kevin Wirt.

Calendar of Coming Events

May 20—Fish Fry 5-7 p.m.
May 29—5th Sunday breakfast 8-11 a.m.
June 2—4th Degree
June 3—Rosary St. Vincent's 6:30 p.m.
June 4—Fish Fry—to go boxes only; 5-8 p.m.
June 14—K of C Meeting 7 p.m.

Birthdays for June

Date	Member	Saint
3	Thomas A. Pawlak	St. Phillip
4	Raymond Canda	St. Alexander
4	Phillip Stackowicz	St. Petroc
7	Mark Salaiz	St. Willibald
9	Jorge Delgado	St. Ephrem
9	Jason Dyer	St. Columba
10	Charles R. Ornduff	St. Getulius
10	Michael Person	St. Maximus
11	Richard Buenger	St. Barnabus
12	Shane Blotkamp	St. Leo
13	Richard A. Eppers	St. John the Silent
14	Vern J. Miller	St. Matthias
15	Kevin Joyce	St. Abraham

Date	Member	Saint
15	Kirt Lochmandy	St. Germaine Cousin
15	Michael Ruskowski	St. Vitus
17	Paul Cataldo	St. Adulf
17	Vito Palumbo	St. Albert
18	Richard Martinczak	St. Gregory Barbarigo
21	Gerald Kruzel	St. Aloysius Gonsaga
22	Austin Carpenter	St. Thomas More
23	Michael Koons	St. Joseph Cafasso
24	Edward Klose	St. John the Baptist
24	Kyle Stoops	St. Amphibalus
26	Vincent Vonder Vellen	St. Philip Neri
27	Jesus Borrego	St. Cyril
27	James D. Stroup	St. Augustine

Spiritual Growth Corner by George Kalil

Where have Roy Rogers and the Lone Ranger gone? OK, the cat is out of the bag. I like westerns, old westerns. One of the best TV channels out there is the Western Channel, which has old westerns all the time. Of course this isn't a surprise to my wife or children; even the grandkids know it.

I guess I like them because, even though life wasn't any easier back then, the good guys were good and the bad guys were bad. Over the years our movie heroes have changed. The heroes aren't the good guys any more; they are just the "least bad" guys. They do morally questionable things for a good outcome. It is no wonder that kids today are confused over what is truth and right and what isn't. When we were growing up, we learned about the "code of the West." The heroes did what was right and moral because it was right and moral, no matter what the personal sacrifice or cost.

This philosophy sounds kind of like the Apostles that we have been hearing about in the readings from Acts the last few weeks. Now I don't want to pretend that the old westerns were Biblical, but they did teach lessons that could be found in the Gospels. Recent generations are confused in so many ways: morally; sexually; and what marriage and truth are. Maybe we need to get more people watching old westerns. It may not help, but it couldn't hurt. (and besides, my family wouldn't roll their eyes when I turn on the Western channel since so many more would be watching it. :)

Shifting gears a little, I just finished volunteering for the Redeemer Radio Shar-a-thon. It was a great experience for a great station. If you aren't listening now, you should. It can be found at 95.7 FM. It has great Catholic programming that helps us to understand our faith and the teachings of our church better, encompassing the "why we believe what we believe." Who knows? It might just keep you from having to watch all those westerns. Hi Ho Silver, away!

We will be praying our First Friday Rosary for the sick and homebound on June 3 at **6:30 PM**. This will be our 398th consecutive Rosary, and it is being prayed earlier because there is a special Mass at 7:00 PM for the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, which will conclude a week-long Perpetual Adoration following the Corpus Christi walk on May 29th. Think and pray about attending both.

God Bless

We Stand Strong On Ethical Ground

Some people believe that ethics in business is a contradiction in terms. They think that in order to be profitable, a company and its leaders must abandon morality and embrace the dark, greedy side that they see so often in the news and in movies.

At the Knights of Columbus, we know this isn't true. A business can be both ethical and successful. We are.

As a Catholic organization, we understand the value and importance of our core beliefs and the original mission of Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney. In fact, much of the strength and financial security we provide to members and their families can be attributed to our ethical, moral standards.

More than 96 percent of Knights who buy our life insurance keep it, year in and year out. The Order takes this commitment to our members very seriously. This means carefully planning when it comes time to invest. Our professional staff researches all transactions to insure that they fall in line with Catholic values. If a transaction makes them uncomfortable, they don't make it.

"We exclude any company engaged in activity that conflicts with Catholic moral teaching: companies directly involved in abortion, contraception, human cloning, embryonic stem cell research, for-profit health care that pays for any of these, or pornography," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. "There are many companies in the pharmaceutical and communications industries that would undoubtedly provide excellent returns for us, but which are not in our portfolio because they engage in research and development or programming in ways that violate the sanctity or dignity of human life."

In the end, the Knights of Columbus investment strategy is motivated by morality, not money. Yet, each year we remain profitable, increase our assets and stay dedicated to this vision that will keep the Order financially sound for generations to come.

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