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### *From Our Grand Knight*

Brother Knights,

I'm so glad we had this time together...As my two year term as Grand Knight draws to a close, I would like to thank you all one last time for putting your trust in me to fulfill this position.



This past Quarter has been filled with activity. Our annual MI or "tootsie roll" Drive was a wonderful success. We increased our donations substantially over last year, even with the loss of two of our L & L stores. Rainbow Homes and Ingham County Special Oympics will be pleased with the extra funds. On Mother's Day we sold carnations for Pro-Life again raising much needed funds to support the unborn. Poker in May gained us additional funds to give away in the coming months. The card party, blood drive and our new Deacon John Fitch's reception, were all successes as well.

When doing this newsletter or filling out my Quarterly Report for the Knights, I am often amazed at the amount of work our "little council" accomplishes. It is only through the selfless TIME given by our members that we can do so many meaningful activities. It is only through gaining new members and their additional commitment to help that this process will continue. We all have families, jobs and other commitments. To those of you who have volunteered or been coerced to help over the past two years I want to personally thank you for your efforts. You have made a difference! YOU have made things better!

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At the end of the day I bet you got more out of the volunteer experience than you put in. That is, the sense of giving of yourself for someone else usually results in a feeling of satisfaction worth more than the loss of a few hours. If you have not helped us in activities in the past pray over it. The person you help may be yourself.

It has been a challenging and fruitful two years. I have truly enjoyed the experience more than I thought I would. I would like to thank you all for your help, your support and sometimes your ear. I will not be disappearing, I will still be at breakfasts, poker, corn roast, etc. If any of you need anything please do not hesitate to call.

Thank you again to all that have helped and those of you that WILL HELP in the future.

As our Worthy Seminarian might say these days, Adios!

GK Mike Czajka

## Texas Hold 'Em Fund Raisers

Our council has been hosting some Texas Hold-Em poker night fundraisers the past few years. It has become our primary source of funds.

Our next event will be July 6th to 9th at Stacks formerly Club of the River in East Lansing, 4750 East Hagadorn, East Lansing. Thanks for all that have helped!! If you would like to help in the future please check out the website or call Bruce Bobb or Mike Brown to sign up.



All we are expected to do is exchange chips for cash and collect a “rake” from the dealers. You should be comfortable in handling cash and handling accurate exchanges. The money our council has earned has allowed us to support many new charities and aid in various Church projects and needs.

## Congratulations to Our Newest Officers for 2011-2012

Grand Knigh– Bruce Bobb

Chancellor– Mike Hawkins

Treasurer– Lou Ebaugh

Warden– Andy Mowry

Outside Guard– Cassian Hardie

Trustee two Year– Tim Russell

Lecturer– Jim Beckwith

Deputy grand knight– Dan Fell

Recorder– Andy Eagle

Advocate– Ron Fox

Inside Guard– Jim Mowry

Trustee one Year– Ken Watterson

Trustee three Year– Mike Czajka

Chaplain– Fr. Bill Luggier

Thank You Gentlemen for your giving of yourself and Congratulations.

### *Cruising the web...*

Following are some web sites suggested by brother Knights for you to check out:

[www.supporttm.com](http://www.supporttm.com) - Support Traditional Marriage - an informative & active site

[www.fathersforgood.org](http://www.fathersforgood.org) - an initiative for men by the Knights of Columbus.

[www.catholicjukebox.com](http://www.catholicjukebox.com) - nothing but fun and musical enjoyment on your computer

### **Membership**

My Brother Sir Knights, Vivat Jesus,

Recruiting season is still in season, all year long! Our fraternal year just started. It's time to talk to those buddies and friends you know and encourage them to join our council. Please contact your council membership directors or Mike Czajka at 517.775.4161.

Thank you, Tim Russell, Jim Beckwith Membership directors.

## **Knight of the Month**

June Knight of the month, Ron Fox.

Our Knight of the year is known to all of us and no doubt the hardest working member of our Council, Dan Fell! Congratulations Dan!

Our Knight of the Year!

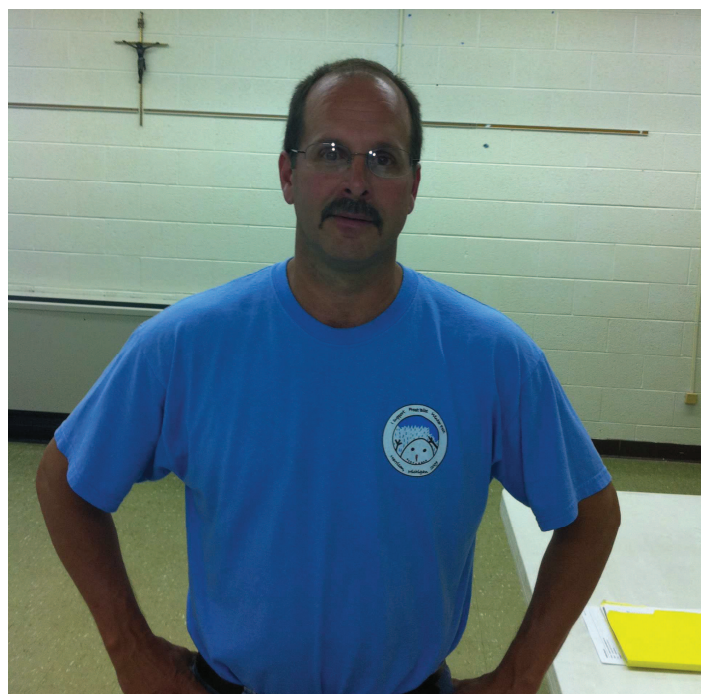


## **Newest Knights**

We would like to welcome Paul Christofferson our newest member.

Also, please congratulate Fr. Bill and Vito Cicinelli for completing their 4th degrees in April.

Our newest Knight



## **Upcoming Events**

Council Meetings– Jun 9th, Jul 14th, Aug 11th, Sep 8th.

Pancake and more Breakfasts– Sep 18th, Oct 16th, Nov 20th, Dec 18th.

Membership Blitz– Same as breakfasts. Cornroast Aug 5-7.

Corporate Communion– June 19th-11:30 mass.

Corn roast– Aug 5th, 6th and 7th.

Blood Drive– Aug 6th.

5K– Aug 6th.

Poker at Club on the River– July 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th.

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**Volunteer You'll Like it!!!**

## ***DON'T FORGET ABOUT THE BIG GRILL!!!***



THIS BIG OLD BEAUTY IS AVAILABLE FOR USE BY ANY CURRENT 9711 KNIGHT IN GOOD STANDING. FAMILY GATHERING, GRADUATION PARTY, OR OTHER BIG EVENTS. CONTACT THE GRAND KNIGHT FOR AVAILABILITY.

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**Council Meetings Second Thursday of each month**  
**Time: 7:00 pm      Place: Room 105 at the School**