



# St. Mark's Knights of Columbus The Compass



**Council Meeting.. Council Meeting Sept 23rd at 7:30pm R**

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## GK Column

Brother Knights,

I believe we find ourselves at a crossroad. In the past fraternal year our council has lost 4 members to their eternal reward. In our efforts to maintain the activities/fundraisers we have traditionally done in the past we've neglected the job of adding new members and not added a single new member to our order. We've also lost touch with many others.

Add to this the fact that we do not work in the spotlight but rather "under the radar" or "behind the scenes" most of the time and you see how it can be difficult to add members. This causes the burden of service to be repeatedly borne by the same few willing members. It is only a matter of time before they themselves are unable to do the work of the order. Thus, the point of this letter.

We need more of our 100+ members to become active in the service areas of the council. As we begin this fraternal year many of our directorships for these service areas are still vacant. So I ask you, what was it that brought you to the Knights of Columbus? Was there a desire to give something back? Was there a desire for fellowship? Were you looking for like minded individuals to work with for the betterment of society? Was it If those desires still burn within you, now is the time to consider actively working with your council on the many

worthwhile projects supported internationally by our Supreme and State council in the areas of Church, Community, Council, Family, something else? Youth and Pro-Life. We need you. Just one idea for a worthwhile project would find so many willing assistants! What about a family pumpkin carving night, or a family game day as we have recently done? Our families and youth are our most precious possessions. So, who is willing to work to create activities worthy of a Catholic organization such as ours to benefit our families, youth, and community?

Our council is struggling to remain active and productive. If you cannot assume a directorship, perhaps you can chair an event that means something to you or that you have enjoyed being a part of in the past. I can assure you that you will have help. We have many older members that could help by relating the past events and activities they were involved in which would make our council more meaningful to them. Mentoring a younger member would help tremendously. What about socials? Bowling? Dinner out? At the very least, attend a meeting. We would love to see you.

Our council is made up of families in all stages of life. In order for those families to benefit we must have the involvement of all of them!

Once men volunteer to lead, we will need to find more willing men and their families to work on these activities and carry on our tradition of service. A membership director is sorely needed to ensure the word gets out, and to take the many resources available from our Supreme and State council and put them to use attracting new members that have the same desire as we do to serve as Christ called us to. If you can fill this vacancy or contribute to the effort please contact me directly at 425-1874 or email me at [jean.desrosiers@comcast.net](mailto:jean.desrosiers@comcast.net). It is our council's future that is at stake. I implore you all to rediscover and redefine what a unified group of Catholic men and their families can do when united in charity. We can set an example and enjoy ourselves doing it.

If you can make time to serve, please respond by emailing [jean.desrosiers@comcast.net](mailto:jean.desrosiers@comcast.net) or calling 425-1874 to express your support or suggestions.

Vivat Jesus

Jean J. Desrosiers

Grand Knight

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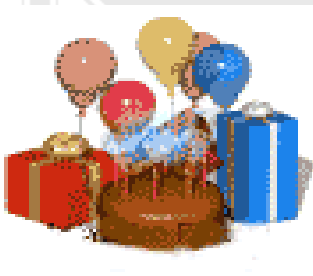
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John Joyce Jr.	1st
Don Synborski	5th
Walter Sarmento	6th
Thomas Dunn	7th
Bill Hamilton, PGK	8th
Jonathan Hill	11th
Kevin McGrath	13th
Terry McMahon	16th
Bill Brown	18th
Kevin Waterhouse, PGK	20th
Deacon Abbott	21st
Fr. Tom Bresnahan	29th



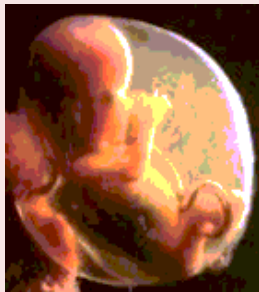
Joe Curran	1st
Brian Bedard	2nd
Wayne Kamieneski	12th
Jeff Auitable	9th
Dan McCarthy	12th
Henk Oolders	13th
Brendan Turcotte	19th
Andrew Greco	22nd
Ken Rahilly	25th
Ed Combes	28th
Tom Lavallee	31st

**Fight FOCA!**

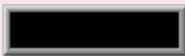
The 2009  
Rosemarie R. Cox



Winner is Brittany Capistran



Statement of Peace:



## Pro-Life Section

Monica Rahilly is co-ordinating the local effort for a Pro-Life Vigil, which is sanctioned by the Diocese. Click on banner, below, for details !

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A couple, desperate to conceive a child, went to their priest and asked him to pray for them. "I'm going on a sabbatical to Rome," he replied, "and while I'm there, I'll light a candle for you." When the priest returned three years later, he went to the couple's house and found the wife pregnant, busily attending to two sets of twins. Elated, the priest asked her where her husband was so that he could congratulate him. "He's gone to Rome, to blow that candle out" came the harried reply.



Bill was showing Joe the family album, and came across a picture of himself and his wife on their wedding day. "Was that the day Mommy came to work for us?" Joe asked.

Officer to driver going the wrong way up a one way street, "And where do you think you are going?"  
  
Driver: - "I'm not sure, but I must be late as everyone else is coming back."

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## Insurance Corner



The Field Agent supporting our council's insurance needs is David Gates, and he'd love to meet you. His contact information is below:

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### **Unconditional Love**

Unconditional love is an inside job. If you have not gotten it by now, guess what...start working from within. When you can give it to yourself, you will be ready to give it to someone else. If you can give it to someone else, you will recognize it when it is being given to you.

**September is Life Insurance Awareness Month.** To help educate consumers about the need for and value of adequate life insurance protection, the Life Insurance Market Research Association (LIMRA) has published the following five facts. These statistics are certainly worth considering.

**Fact 1:** Nearly three-fourths of North Americans agree that life insurance is the best way to protect against premature death of the primary wage earner.

**Fact 2:** Twenty-four million households have no life insurance protection at all. Almost one third of adults have no life insurance protection.

**Fact 3:** Forty-four percent of all households either don't own life insurance and believe they should, or own life insurance and believe they need more. Among those that already own some life insurance, 40 percent believe they don't have enough.

**Fact 4:** One-fourth of primary wage earners feel they do not have a plan in place to provide a decent standard of living for their family if they died tomorrow. Twelve percent of families would immediately have trouble meeting everyday living expenses and another 15 percent would have difficulty keeping up after several months.

**Fact 5:** People would like to discuss life insurance with a qualified professional agent. They believe that buying life insurance is an important and complex financial decision. Half find it difficult to decide how much to buy, and 43 percent worry about making the wrong decision.

I'd like to meet with you in your home, at your convenience. I'll work with you to make sure your family is protected. As a brother Knight you can trust, I'll take the stress and worry out of the buying decision..

A passenger in a taxi leaned over to ask the driver a question and tapped him on the shoulder. The driver screamed, lost control of the cab, nearly hit a bus, drove up over the curb, and stopped just inches from a large plate glass window.

For a few moments everything was silent in the cab, and then the still shaking driver said, "I'm sorry but you scared the daylights out of me."

The frightened passenger apologized to the driver and said he didn't realize a mere tap on the shoulder could frighten him so much.

The driver replied, "No, no, I'm sorry, it's entirely my fault. Today is my first day driving a cab. I've been driving a hearse for the last 25 years."

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