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## ***Knight Writer Newsletter***

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### **Grand Knight's Message**



Dear Brother Knights, Family Members,  
and Honored Clergy,

March 21st marked The World Down Syndrome Day. It is the 9th anniversary of the event. According to the organizers "each year the voice of people with Down syndrome and those who live and work with them grows louder." This year's theme was "Health and Wellbeing – Access and Equality for All" As noted on their website:

**All people with Down syndrome have the right to access healthcare when required on an equal basis with others without discrimination and with proper**

**assessment of the specific health needs of the individual. We will be highlighting that:**

- 1. Having Down syndrome does not make a person unhealthy.**
- 2. Down syndrome is a genetic condition, not an illness.**
- 3. People with Down syndrome may have health issues throughout their lives, just like everyone else and they should have access to healthcare on an equal basis with others.**
- 4. There are specific known health issues which may affect people with Down syndrome, for which accurate, evidence-based, information is available.**
- 5. Health professionals should be aware of these specific issues when treating a person with Down syndrome.**
- 6. Health professionals should not discriminate against people with Down syndrome by:**
  - refusing to treat them**

- **blaming health issues on Down syndrome in general, or**
- **considering only specific known health issues which may affect people with Down syndrome.**

As for me, firstly, I certainly did notice it more as there was mention of the video "Dear Future Mom" on the EWTN Nightly News coverage. If you have a chance to view it, please do. You can go to youtube.com and search for 'dear future mom'. All the people in this short video are with Down syndrome. The basic heart warming message is: we are normal people just like you, going through life's struggles just like everyone else. It is addressed to a future mom, and everyone in the video is saying "don't be afraid, it will be alright." This holds true. Many parents of Down syndrome children will tell you that these children are a happy blessing - exceeding anyone's possible imagination.

Secondly, being a University of Dayton graduate, we were following the story of the basketball team as they processed through the March Madness brackets. Before the March 29th game, there was a short piece on TV about the sister of UD forward Devin Oliver – Miya. She has Down syndrome, but this has not prevented her from living life to the fullest. From an article in the Springfield News Sun, there is a comment by Devin about his sister: **"They asked who his hero was in life and he responded, 'My sister.' "**

Finally, the National Catholic Register newspaper is discussing the cause for sainthood of the famous French scientist, who chose to follow Christ at the risk of his career. I quote from the news article

here:

**Jerome Lejeune earned international acclaim and honors for his work in genetics, deeply loved children with Down syndrome, and he had hoped his 1958 discovery would help treat or cure their condition.**

**But 10 years later, the world was embracing abortion and using his discovery in prenatal diagnoses to abort children with Down syndrome and other chromosomal abnormalities.**

**In 1969, Lejeune received the William Allan Award, the world's highest prize for work in genetics and utilized the occasion to speak out against abortion. After that speech, he told his wife, "Today, I lost my Nobel Prize in medicine."**

**Lejeune's advocacy for persons with Down syndrome forced him into the wilderness of the scientific world. However, Blessed Pope John Paul II reached out to the French scientist to help him found the Pontifical Academy for Life and named him its first president shortly before Lejeune's death in April 1994 from lung cancer.**

As usual, our Catholic position of being faithful to the Lord in all the we do, puts us at odds with common culture. Let us continue to pray for strength to persevere and continue to advocate for those that are considered the fringe portion of today's society.

Oremus Pro Inviciem  
Sebastian Mauricio

Our next business meeting starts at 7:00 pm on Wednesday April 2, 2014 at St Paul's in the Room 2 in the lower level of the Church. Please give PGK Kevin

O'Connor (614-523-3892, [koconnor@gci2000.com](mailto:koconnor@gci2000.com)) any written articles by the end of the month so they can be included in next month's newsletter.



### Sat April 5 *Pro-Life Prayer*

Join our Council and many others as we mobilize for pro-life on Saturday April 5. We will gather after the 8:30 am Mass to pray outside of the Complete Healthcare for Women at 5888 Cleveland Avenue. Contact GK Sebastian Mauricio for information ([SebMauricio@gmail.com](mailto:SebMauricio@gmail.com))



### Sat-Sun April 5-6 *"Super Subs for Final Four"*

What better way to enjoy the Final Four than feasting on tasty Knights of Columbus submarine sandwiches! The profits earned from this fundraiser will be used for the St Paul Building Fund.

Volunteers are needed to help make and sell submarine sandwiches on Sat April 5 and Sunday April 6. We will meet in

Miller Hall on Sat April 5 at 10am. If you are available to make subs, please let Bruce Jackson know ([bjwesterville@aol.com](mailto:bjwesterville@aol.com) or 614-882-8994).



### Friday April 4 *"Let the Fish Fry"*

Join us for the final fish fry of 2014!! Many hands make light work. See you in the **MILLER HALL** starting at 4:00 pm. We will need people to set up, serve, and clean up. Simply show up to help or call PGK Gary Koonce for details (614-898-3823).

*We need desserts and any sweet tooth donations would be greatly appreciated.* Proceeds from the sale of desserts of all the Fish Fry's are pooled for scholarships awarded to graduating St. Paul students.



### Sunday April 13 *"Cooking for Measure Up"*

The next breakfast of this Fraternal year will be on Sunday April 13. We will be serving after the 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30

masses. Many hands make light work. Simply show up to help or call PGK Gary Koonce for details. *We especially need help with clean up after the 10:30 mass* (614-898-3823, email:GKoonce@aol.com).



**Thur-Sat April 24-26  
Saturday May 3  
“Measure Up”**

It’s time once again for Council members to Measure Up to the challenge of raising funds for special education programs in the Westerville Schools. We will be collecting at stores and a road intersection. You can contact Kevin O’Connor ([koconnor@gci2000.com](mailto:koconnor@gci2000.com), 614-523-3892) for more information. *We will be calling for volunteers, and we are also soliciting businesses for contributions.*

**2014 Charity Raffle**



The Ohio State Council 2014 Charity Raffle is up and running. The drawing will take place on May 24. Contact PGK Carl

Haaser for tickets (614-891-1962; [carl@haaser.com](mailto:carl@haaser.com)).



**Saturday April 19  
“Easter Egg Time”**

Join us on Saturday April 19 for the annual KofC Easter Egg Hunt on the grounds at St. Paul’s. If you can’t help with setup at 9:00 am please be sure to bring your kids, your grandkids, and your neighbor’s kids to join in the fun at 10:00 am. *Don’t be late because it’s over by 10:15 am!*



**Meals on Wheels**

Brother Knight Paul LeCorgne has taken over responsibility for Meals on Wheels. This is a main fundraiser for the Council, and requires but a little time on Saturday or Sunday. **Nobody is scheduled every weekend. If you can help or want more**



information, please contact Paul (614-794-0071, [paul.s.lecorgne@chase.com](mailto:paul.s.lecorgne@chase.com))

## **KofC Insurance**

### ***Only having "through work" insurance doesn't work***

Do you know anyone whose life or career has been drastically changed during these years of economic downturn? It's very likely that someone in your immediate or extended family or group of friends is facing financial uncertainty now. Maybe there's a possibility that you (or your spouse) could lose your job or change employers.

Too many people have often relied on group term life insurance as their only safety net. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at low or no cost. The existence of this coverage might convince someone that personally-owned life insurance is not necessary.

Only having "through work" insurance can leave you and your family vulnerable. Most group life insurance policies are limited in amount, which may be tied to salary or some other benchmark. These numbers are often capped, and this cap may be dangerously low when compared to your family's actual needs. In fact, without a detailed needs analysis, any employer-provided coverage will likely cause a shortfall at the insured's death.

In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced, sometimes dramatically, when you retire. You could one day find yourself without coverage, and if your health has changed (which it will as you age), you might also find yourself unable to secure individual protection. It will definitely be more expensive.

While group life insurance can help, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I'll be happy to meet with you and provide a no-cost needs analysis, so you'll know exactly where you stand.

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## **Council April Birthdays**

*Adam Bielby  
P. Michael Brunetti  
Edward Carfagna  
Joe Carvitti  
Diego F. Catano  
David A. Cocuzzi  
Donald S. Coffey  
Frank Frastaci  
Andrew W. Gantzer  
Andrew M. Habing  
Ennio F. Izzo  
Donald E. King  
Paul S. Lecorgne  
Dermot MacManus  
Albert J. Mansour Jr  
Rev William J. Metzger  
Todd W. Mislán  
Robert J. Mudd  
Kevin Nuzum  
Kevin M. O'Connor  
Andrew S. Pasternack  
Scott E. Russ  
John F. Williams  
David B. Zehala  
Jonathan M. Zygmunt*



### **In Support of Priests and Religious Vocations**

- Pray for Pope Francis
- Pray for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
- Pray for Bishop Frederick Campbell
- Pray for Pastor, Fr. Charlie Klinger
- Pray for Fr. Michael Hinterschied
- Pray for Fr. Raymond Lavelle
- Pray for Fr. Dave Gwinner
- Pray for Fr. Dan Drury
- Pray for Fr. Joseph Murphy
- Pray for Deacon Mickey Hawkins
- Pray for Deacon Tom Barford
- Pray for Seminarian Adam Pasternack
- Pray for Deacon Joe Ciaciura
- Pray for Deacon Carl Jerzyk



### **Pennies from Heaven**

Be sure to drop your pennies in the milk jug at every Council meeting, Breakfast, and Fish Fry. These funds are collected for retired priests and religious. This is simply our way of returning the favor for all they have done for us.



### **Council Shirts Available**

Shawn Minke has shirts (M, L, XL, and XXL) available for immediate purchase. Polo Shirts are \$22 and T-shirts are \$10. They provide a wonderful medium for emphasizing unity and fraternity. They make us look good too!!



### **Keep Them in Your Prayers**

**SEND REQUESTS TO**  
[prayerrequest@kofc5776.org](mailto:prayerrequest@kofc5776.org)

- Pray for Scott Muehlbauer, stationed overseas
- Pray for Barbara Burns
- Pray for Brother Knight Dick Marflak and his son, Richard
- Pray for Paul Guevin
- Pray for Domininc Oravec
- Pray for Bruce Jackson's daughter, Rachel
- Pray for Raymond Michalski
- Pray for the residents of Moore, Oklahoma and Washington, Illinois
- Pray for Tom Augustus and his wife, Jean
- Pray for Tony Riveralli

Pray for Fr. Augustine  
 Pray for Fr. Snoke  
 Pray for Fr. Richart  
 Pray for Rick Schomo  
 Pray for Brother Knight Keith Meyers  
 Pray for Brother Knight Al Surette  
 Pray for Charles Kramer's wife, Doris  
 Pray for Frank Nachtman, per request of  
 Brother Knight Scott Bastian  
 Pray for Darrel Freeman  
 Pray for Brother Knight Tom Nann  
 Pray for Joe Drury, father of Fr. Dan  
 Pray for Brother Knight Ron Folian, his  
 wife, Carol, and his brother-in-law, Mark  
 Collins  
 Pray for PGK Barney Sweeney and his  
 wife, Jacqueline  
 Pray for Brother Knight Paul Fisher  
 Pray for Brother Knight Dave Brown  
 Pray for the grandchild of Art Sullivan  
 Pray for Sir Knight Mark Steele  
 Pray for Virginia Jones, wife of Dave  
 Jones  
 Pray for Janice Peltomaa  
 Pray for PGK Bill Sedor  
 Pray for Past State Deputy Gary Eckstein  
 Pray for Brother Knight John Marzec  
 Pray for Brother Knight Don Gray and his  
 daughter-in-law, Pam Gray  
 Pray for Marie Mansour, mother of  
 Brother Knight Al Mansour  
 Pray for Robert Laube  
 Pray for Jason and Angela Wiegand, niece  
 and nephew-in-law of Dave Dauer  
 Pray for Halina Barford, wife of Tom  
 Pray for William Grubb  
 Pray for Ariana Rose Hankins (Elmer  
 Cabotage's granddaughter)  
 Pay for Leroy Piekenbrock, father of Mark  
 Piekenbrock

Pray for Peter Chlore, Anthony Kinslow,  
 Jacob Spann, Dustin Derga, Ryan Miller,  
 Samuel Pearson, and others who have  
 made the ultimate sacrifice in service to  
 our country.



**Thought for the Month**  
*“Living in the Now”*

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Living in the present can be hard. Instead,  
 we can live in the past, pinning for the so-  
 called “good old days” or rueing the  
 mistakes we made years ago. Or we live  
 in the future, longing to be freed from our  
 present trials or fearing what the future  
 might hold. Lent is a good time to try to  
 live in the present. Why? As the British  
 writer C.S. Lewis said: “The present is the  
 only time in which any duty can be done  
 or any grace received.”

Practice living in the now this Lent. How?  
 Focus on the activity you are doing. When  
 attending a meeting, attend the meeting.  
 When talking with someone, give that  
 person your full attention. When praying,  
 pray. Salvation comes in every now of our  
 life. String together enough “now’s” well-  
 lived, and you have a well-lived life!

Sr. Melannie Svoboda, S.N.D.  
*Living Grace*

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## Council Calendar

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Wed April 2  
6:30 PM **Rosary**  
7:00 PM **Business Meeting**

Friday April 4  
**Fish Fry**  
Miller Hall

Sat April 5  
**Prayer at Abortion Clinic**

Sat-Sun April 5-6  
**Super Sub Sales**

Thur April 10  
**1<sup>st</sup> Degree at St. Paul**

Sun April 13  
**Breakfast after Mass**  
Miller Hall

Wed April 16 - 7:00 PM  
**Officers Meeting**

Sat April 19  
**Easter Egg Hunt**

Thur-Sat April 24-26  
Sat May 3  
**Measure Up**

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Tony Lloyd and Mike Sucharski presented a check to WARM from the proceeds of Breakfast with Santa



Curtis Smith was selected Knight of the Month



Once again, the fish fry's provided a great fraternal activity....



...and the people of St. Paul benefited from this great communal Lenten event



Andrew Mauricio and Art Sullivan were selling parishioners on the benefit of the KofC breakfast



Congratulations to our newest honorary member, Paul Hanly



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### **Pilgrimage prep**

Art Sullivan, 65, left, and Greg Madsen, 68, both of Westerville, walk through Sharon Woods Metro Park on the first day of spring. The men said they're preparing for the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage, which ends at Santiago de Compostela in northern Spain.



20 ft by 30 ft tent. Rental \$375 for a weekend. It requires a flat area of 60 ft by 50ft for staking and supports



8 by 20 tent with flaps (not shown). Rental \$90 for a weekend.

## ***DON'T FORGET THAT THE COUNCIL TENTS ARE FOR RENT***

We will deliver, setup, tear down and take away the tent for the rental price.

**CONTACT CARL HAASER FOR DETAILS**

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