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FROM OUR GRAND KNIGHT

My Brother Knights,

Greetings St. Joseph's parish and welcome to this issue of the "Knight Life Newsletter". First, I'd like to send out some **applause and appreciation for our newsletter sponsors** (on the back page) who have continued their contribution to the KC newsletter. In their generous sponsorship of the newsletter, they are supporting the St. Joseph's community. Thank you, thank you, thank you for your kindness, sponsors!!!

Next, please let me encourage you to read the page 2 article concerning the "40 Days for Life". This year's campaign has begun, and there have been some successes that tell us all to continue the fight for life!

I'd like to draw your attention to the "Knight opportunities and call for help & leadership" on the second page. In June 2010, the end of this fraternal year, we will need to fill the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, and Warden council position. We ask that all KC members do a little thinking and praying about taking a position in the council. Each month on the 2nd Thursday a Regular Business Meeting is held in the KC room in the church basement. *All members are invited each month to join the council and contribute to helping support our families and community.* And here's a brief review of the previous quarter:

On two occasions in July and September, Highway Pickups were lead by **Bill Heckman & Tom**

Koenigskecht. Now this is one of those quiet jobs you just don't think of. But, I can assure you that if the men involved didn't step up and take care of this; you would know it every time you drove down M-21. Thanks guys for keeping the area clean & respectable. It reflects on Pewamo and all of us in a really big way.

In August, the KC Family Picnic was conducted by **Bill & Brenda Schafer, Tom & Stacy Miller, Paul & Karen Downes, and their families.** A big thanks goes out to them for the great job they do each and every time. Also in August, a Corporate communion mass was held for the living and deceased K of C members and their families. We hope and pray that God obliges in blessing all KC members and gives us his loving guidance.

In September, a Senior Dinner was conducted by **Mike & Mary Lou Smith and Carl & Linda Hafner.** As always these folks show the great way the KCs act in service to the community. Also in September, we had a KC recruitment drive, where members reached out to parishioners who aren't members to join the Knights of Columbus in being the "Strong Arm of the Church".

All of the activities from the past quarter have many other workers involved; too many to list here. Pewamo KC Council 8071 sends many, many thanks to each of them. All of them are good parishioners who get the job done, and they are what make the Knights of Columbus a great contributor to our local community, the church, and the whole world.

Yours in Christ,
Douglas J. Schafer
Grand Knight

UPCOMING EVENTS
MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Month of October 2009

rosaries before each mass in support of Pro-Life

Thursday 8th Regular business meeting @7:30
 with rosary @ 7:10

Sunday 25th ... Sausage & Pancake Breakfast – 8:30 - noon
 public is invited/ Adults \$6.00/ 6-12 \$4.00/ 5 & under free

Sunday 25th Children's Halloween Party 6:30-8:00

Month of November 2009

Thursday 12th Regular business meeting @ 7:30
 with rosary @ 7:10

BA..... Spelling Bee

Sunday 15th – 8:00 AM Corporate Communion for
 living and deceased K of C members and their families

Thursday 19th Senior Dinner

Month of December 2009

Thursday 10th Regular business meeting @ 7:30
 with rosary @ 7:10

**Knight opportunities and call
 for help & leadership***

Being active in the Knights of Columbus means
 working for the benefit our children, families, friends, and
 church. We are currently looking for a Knight to:

- Lead the Pie Sale
- Help with the senior dinner
- Fill council positions

Procedures are being created to make the tasks easier.
 If you are interested, please contact Douglas Schafer @
 7-281-4679.

A call for prayer*

Each Knights of Columbus monthly meeting begins
 with a rosary. Intentions include the K of C members &
 their families, along with the interests of the church. If you
 have any petitions you'd like included, please feel free to
 call Douglas Schafer @ 517-281-4679.

*** What 40 Days for Life has
 witnessed (so far)***

As Grand Knight of Pewamo council #8071, I cannot
 stress enough the importance of the “40 Days for
 Life” campaign, and I urge you to participate (sign-
 up sheets are in the back of church). The following
 excerpt from www.40daysforlife.com shows that we
 can make a make a difference!!!

*“There have now been four coordinated 40 Days for
 Life campaigns. In the fall of 2007, the spring of 2008,
 the fall of 2008 and the spring of 2009, these efforts
 have mobilized people of faith and conscience in 240
 cities across all 50 of the United States, five Canadian
 provinces, plus locations in Northern Ireland and
 Australia.*

*During these unified efforts, participants witnessed
 countless blessings from God:*

- *Over 200,000 have joined together in an historic
 display of unity to pray and fast for an end to
 abortion*
- *More than 70,000 people have participated in
 peaceful 40-day prayer vigils outside of Planned
 Parenthood centers and abortion facilities*
- *Reports document 1,561 lives that have been
 spared from abortion — and those are just the ones
 we know about*
- *Eighteen abortion workers have quit their jobs
 and walked away from the abortion industry*
- *Three abortion facilities completely shut down
 following local 40 Days for Life campaigns*
- *Hundreds of women and men have been spared
 from the tragic effects of abortion, including a
 lifetime of regrets*
- *More than 400 news stories have been featured
 in newspapers, magazines, radio shows and TV
 programs from coast to coast ... and overseas*
- *Many people with past abortion experiences
 have stepped forward to begin post-abortion healing
 and recovery*

*After so many years of legalized abortion, many
 people of faith are experiencing a renewed sense of
 HOPE!”*

**"The greatest destroyer of love
 and peace is abortion, which is
 war against the child."**

- Mother Teresa

Knights of the Month from Previous Quarter

July **Bill Heckman**
 August..... **Paul Downes**
 September **Tony Thelen**

The Knight of the Month honor is earned by members who have done a tremendous job serving our community. They may have earned this honor for demonstrating leadership in one activity or for exemplary service throughout the year.

Families of the Month from Previous Quarter



July **William & Brenda Schafer family**
 August..... **Tom & Stacy Miller family**
 September **Mike & Mary Lou Smith family**

The Family of the Month honor is earned by members who have done a tremendous job serving our community. Often these members were excellent leaders for a K of C activity and called upon the support of their families for their success.



Retirement income you can't outlive

People are living longer today than in any other time in history. While this is certainly a good problem to solve, it creates a new worry for those facing retirement: what if I outlive my savings? How does a retirement income that you can't outlive sound to you?

This sounds pretty good to most members and this can be true if you open a Knights of Columbus annuity, which is designed to provide guaranteed long-term security. As a knight, you can open a retirement

annuity for as little as \$300. Consistent and disciplined savings placed into this annuity over time can guarantee you an income at retirement that you cannot outlive. Couple that guarantee with the fact that no one has ever lost money put in a Knights of Columbus annuity (remember, absolute safety of principal) and you will have peace of mind.

Don't forget contributing money an annuity will allow you to save some money on your income tax return. And our annuities offer a very competitive interest rate, consistent with our primary goal of absolute safety of principal. These benefits are similar to those of an IRA or similar product, but ours is backed by the strength and financial stability of the Knights of Columbus.

At your convenience, I will happily to meet with you to explain in detail the benefits of selecting our annuity, along with the benefits of our top-rated life insurance and long term care insurance plans. As you consider options as you proceed toward retirement, think about one thing guaranteed to help you and open a Knights of Columbus annuity. Call me today. I want to hear from you.

God bless!

Michael Thelen, FICF, LUTCF (989) 593-2200 or michael.thelen@kofc.org

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* KC birthdays *

Vesley, Benjamin R 10/1
 Miller, Scott A 10/2
 Eldpausch, Lorin F 10/4
 Smith, Matthew J 10/4
 Line, Richard A 10/5
 Jein, Peter W 10/5
 Stump, Randy J 10/9
 Earld, Kevin D 10/13
 Smith, Michael R 10/15
 Schafer, William S 10/15
 Pierstetel, David E 10/21
 Cook, Stephen M 10/21

Spitzley, Allen L 10/23
 Holman, Charles A 10/23
 Freund, Roger C 10/26
 Heckman, Kenneth R 11/3
 Thelen, Todd W 11/5
 Miller, Michael S 11/7
 Schulte, Kevin A 11/8
 Klein, Justin L 11/10
 Schafer, Michael O 11/12
 Kramer, Ronald R 11/13
 Cook, Jeffrey S 11/16
 Baker, Christian A 11/19
 Scollon, Michael W 11/20

Freund, Dale W 11/22
 Schafer, Gilbert A 12/4
 Cook, Perry N 12/7
 Chartrand, Bradley L 12/7
 Stump, Patrick G 12/8
 Miller, Thomas J 12/19
 Cook, Ryan T 12/24
 Schafer, Douglas J 12/26
 Schneider, Glenn M 12/27
 Spitzley, Luke R 12/30
 Heckman, John J 12/30
 Henning, Todd J 12/30