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September 2011 Newsletter

Dear Brother Knights,

The subject of abortion stirs great passion and opinion in our society, yet the Knights of Columbus remain firmly committed to the right to life from natural conception thru natural death. Yet in recent weeks a Catholic website, www.RealCatholicTV.com published two videos that are critical of our organization at the national level for not being willing to expel our members who are politicians or public figures and who openly support and promote pro-abortion views.

I am very concerned about this criticism of our Order and I sent a note to our newly elected State Deputy Rich Spada, asking his opinion about this attack.

Here is his response:

Worthy Grand Knight and Brother Mark,

Thank you for your concern and interest in this matter. It disturbs me that a man who once was a Knight and made a pledge to be in union with the Holy See takes on the Holy See. Our Order takes the position of the Holy See in these situations which has not yet taken steps to excommunicate those politicians whose actions are inconsistent with both that of the Holy See and the Knights of Columbus. The gentleman who takes on the credibility of our Order also takes on the credibility of the Holy See. Is he above both entities?

Consider all that the Order does to protect life in all stages including financial, legislative lobbying for life issues, support to unwed mothers both before and after they choose life over abortion. Shouldn't these be the measure of our Order's resolve on these concerns?

The Order has prepared and released a response to this attack on Our

Order and the Church which I will be sharing with our membership upon my return from the Supreme Convention held in Denver, CO.

I for one would prefer to keep my focus on constructive actions that we take in support of life issues and the sanctity of marriage.

God bless, Rich Spada

Our local Council remains committed to the pro-life movement. At our August meeting we approved a \$250 sponsorship for the Life Network Walk-Run For Life event held in Waterloo on September 17th. We are also sponsoring up to 5 of our members who participate. I encourage and request a BIG turnout of our members for this fun and worthy event. Visit our website to get more information. Vivat Jesus! Mark.



Sales were brisk and the crowd excited about the new offerings from the Knights of Columbus tent at Columbia Daze. Great Job, Men.



Citizens with Intellectual Disabilities Drive

Friday Sept. 16th & Saturday Sept. 17th

For more information check out www.kofc6165.org



Volunteers needed to man many stops to **make this year's event the best yet.** There will be a sign up sheet at the next General Membership Meeting on Sept. 8th in the ICS Cafeteria at 7:30pm.

Calendar of Events

Every Tuesday Eucharistic Adoration

09/05 - Labor Day Holiday - Labor Day Picnic - ICS Playground

09/08 - General Membership Meeting - 7:30pm ICS Cafeteria /
1st Degree Ceremony before meeting - 6:30pm start time

09/11 - Remembrance Day - 10 year Anniversary of 09/11

09/16-09/17 Projected Tootsie Roll Drive Weekend

09/17 - LifeNetwork Walk-Run Event - Waterloo Courthouse - 7:30am

09/20 - Card Lotto - Convalescent Home - 7:00pm

09/24 - Knights of Columbus Day at the Ballpark (Cards vs. Cubs)

09/25 - KC Blood Drive - ICS Parish Center - 8:00am-1:00pm

10/01 - Southern Friendship Dinner in Mascoutah, IL

10/09 - Major Degree - Waterloo - 12:30pm

10/13 - General Membership Meeting - 7:30pm ICS Cafeteria

Knights of Columbus Council #6165 Milestones

Knights in Service	Years
Harold C Stemler	57
James R Schmidt	42
John P Kinane	34
Richard A Kish	34
John R Kish	34
Denis U Ling	34
Donald R Neff	34
Michael S Lawlor	33
Kenneth J Ebers	31
Gregory J Howell	31
John W Coats	30
Dennis L Voegelé	30
Marty A Raeber	29
J Michael Heller	24
John S Olsson	24
Mark W Brigman	19
Richard S De Laria	11
Ron L Dexter	11
Eugene W Ehrhard	11
Kevin D Hennes	11
Michael T Romano	11
Allen O Siegel	11
Joseph R Murphy	8
Keith C Renner	8
Ian C Hayden	5
Norman W Sheble	5
Scott M Hippisley	4
John P Soetaert	4
Robert A Karsznia	3
Josh R Smith	3
Robert G Lieb	2



Knights of Columbus iPad Raffle
 Winner is Seanin Heinen
 Congratulations & Enjoy
 Thank You for all your Support



September Birthdays

Michael J Beckerle
 Philip J Bohn
 John P Csik
 Richard P Cullen
 Thomas O Fohne
 Wayne E Gallagher
 Joseph R Gundlach
 Lawrence A Hanegan
 Gary G Hogan
 James H Janson
 William P Kilian
 Robert G Lieb
 Denis U Ling
 Darrell G Miller
 Allan H Parker
 Alcibiades R Perez
 Bryan G Phillips
 Anton J Range
 Earl A Reichert
 Richard C Sambo
 Mark J Schmersahl
 James R Schmidt
 Elmer V Schmidt
 John P Soetaert
 Paul M Thoma
 Laclede F Wilson
 Herman W Wolf

Anniversaries

Thomas L Braun
 Ryan R Hicks
 Everett D Jenkins
 Paul D Juengling
 James P Kelemetc
 Mgysgt George R Kutterer
 James C Lansing
 Jason M Laskowski
 Darrell G Miller
 Joseph R Murphy
 James J Ritson
 James E Toenjes
 Anthony J Traxler
 Gerald J Weilbacher

We are looking for young men 18 or older to join the ranks of being a Knight. If you know of anyone interested in the Knights, have them contact Steve Dressler or check out our website at www.kofc6165.org for the full color brochure highlighting our Council. We will have a 1st Degree Ceremony in September.

This September 11th marks the 10th Anniversary of the most horrific attack on US soil. Each day we thank the men and women that make this country safe as well as the 1st Responders who choose to act in the face of trauma and disaster.

On September 11th Thank a 1st Responder be it Policeman, Fireman or Ambulance Personnel. God Bless them and God Bless Our Troops as they serve us, protect us and let us be us. Thank You All

Life Network of Southern Illinois Annual Walk-Run for Life



Saturday Sept. 17th, 2011

Waterloo Courthouse

Registration starts at 7:30am

5K run starts at 9:00am

1.8K Walk starts at 9:10am

For more information call 618-939-4224 or check out the website at www.supportmylifenet.com



Come help with the gift of life be a life