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COUNCIL CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

IT'S ALL IN PRINT (and so is this ☺)

A lot of things get into print these days. Old as I am I have long since abandoned the idea that everything in print is true. Then too, curious as I still am I have a conviction that things in print are prompted by some current in society. Once upon a time—in younger years—I was convinced that everything that could be said had been said *and was probably printed somewhere!* ☺ Now I run across things while reading that get me thinking—surprise, surprise!



Recently a man in news was quoted thus: **"Passionate, and often pig headed activist intellectual seeks siren for love affair, children, and occasional criminal conspiracy. . . . I like women from countries that have sustained political turmoil. Western culture seems to forge women that are valueless and inane. You should message me if you are a spirited, erotic, [sic] nonconformist."** Care to venture a guess on his identity? (Personally I think the word *intellectual* is used a bit loosely. And do you sense a bit of chauvinism?) Does the name **Julian Assange** ring a bell? From Wikileaks? As we think about society these days and consider his influence on it, is it any wonder that there is unrest, terrorism, unbridled floods of commentary—truth and fiction—babbling through our media in all its forms? It is one thing to seek information and to learn. It is quite another to use our wonders of communication to foment animosity. As men and women striving to live honorably and morally, how do we react to a person such as this as he describes

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 2

The Presentation of the Lord

February 8

1st Degree Ceremonial at Council 3104
Candidates arrive @ 6:30pm,
Ceremony at 7pm

February 10

Rosary @ the GR Home for Vete, 4:00pm
in the Chapel

February 13

Pancake Breakfast, 9:00am-12:00pm



February 15

Council Audit Due To Supreme

February 24

Council General Meeting
6:30pm gather; 7:00pm gavel pounds

Chaplain's Message Continued

himself in pursuit of companionship (in an online dating profile)? How do our reactions and actions influence our own families and communities?

Intellectual! Pig headed activist! Seeks occasional criminal conspiracy! Sustained political turmoil! Nonconformist! It's all in print. Take your pick. Peace, Father Mike

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

A laying on of hands.

Brother Knights, This is how the Apostleship has been passed on from the original Apostles through the Bishops over time to the Priests and Bishops today. Each Bishop can trace his heritage to one of the original Apostles. That's some family tree. This should be something all Catholics are familiar with. So where in the world could I possibly be going with this?

Well I get my inspiration to write at the most interesting moments. I was sitting in Mass, minding my business, just like I always do, and noticed an interesting event. One of the Ushers came up to one of our parishioners ahead of me and placed his hand on his shoulder, whispered a few words in his ear and he became an Usher for a day. OK, I'll agree

it wasn't Sacramental, but it did strike me in and of itself. The thought came to me that it is a very similar process to bring someone into the Knights. I'm sure it's happened many times.



Please consider touching someone on the shoulder and inviting him to be a part of the Knights of Columbus. Sometimes it's a simple sincere gesture inviting someone to be a part of something important that tips the scale.

P.S. Holy Family Radio (1140 AM) is regularly running ad's for the Knights of Columbus. These are professionally produced ads from Supreme. They have been run at prime times.

Vivat Jesus! *Jon Wright*

Welcome to Council 389!

Welcome Terry Hudgens who received honors of the 1st Degree in a ceremonial held at Saint Jude on January 11th. Terry is married to Betsy and they have three children, Madelyn, Katie and Ashley. Terry is the Chair of the Pastoral Council at Saint Jude. Welcome Terry!

Congratulations!

Rev. Mr. and Worthy Knight Larry Hoogeboom on the 5th anniversary of the occasion of your ordination, February 11, 2006, to the Permanent Diaconate. God bless your ministry and thank you for your faithful service! Thank you Lady Donna for sharing your husband's gifts with us.

Major Degree

A ceremonial for 2nd and 3rd Degrees will be held on **February 27, 2011** at Blessed Sacrament Council 13391, 2275 Diamond Ave. NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505. Schedule is as follows:
Candidates arrive by 12:00 noon;
Degree ceremonial begins at 1:00pm
Dress Code: Sport coat and tie or business casual – no jeans, t-shirts, tennis shoes, etc.
No cell phones, pagers or beepers are to be

brought into the building where the ceremonial will be held.

Dinner Cost: A dinner will be available for members and wives or significant other after completion of 3rd degree at approximately 4:30 pm, cost determined day of event.

Contact Bob Foster, Council Membership Chair, 458-9727 or Ted Hamilton, Financial Secretary, 647-1116 if you plan to attend.

1st Degree Anniversaries		February Birthdays	
2/15/94 Peter Treska	17 years	2/6	Norb Fisher
2/4/03 Donald Wilson	8 years	2/10	Ed Schindorf
		2/16	Steve Zimmerman
		2/18	Tom Kaplanowski
		2/22	Thaddeus Lipzinski
		2/22	Daryl Mick
		2/25	John Wisniewski

Happy Returns of the Day!



The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for February

That the family may be respected by all in its identify and that its irreplaceable contribution to all of society be recognized.

FROM THE EDITOR: If you normally receive your newsletter and minutes through the US Postal Service: in the interest of cost savings, only the newsletter will be mailed this month due to the length of the Council meeting minutes. Copies will be available at the February meeting

Youth Events

The Annual Poster Contest for Alcohol Awareness and Abuse and Drug Awareness and Abuse brought in 26 entries from youths aged 10-14 at Holy Trinity School. The four winners were entered into the Diocesan competition.

The Annual Free Throw Competition was held on January 15th with 25 All Saints Academy youths competing in 3 age groups. Winners in the respective age groups will compete at the Diocesan level this month. (See thank you's on next page.)

**Talk to Your Children
About Religious Life**

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Cruise Into Charity!

Tickets for the Michigan State Charity Raffle are now on sale.

Prizes:

1st Prize—12 night Mediterranean Cruise (or \$25,000)

2nd Prize—Alaskan Discovery Vacation (or \$15,000)

3rd Prize—7 night Caribbean Cruise (or \$7,500).

The seller of the 1st prize ticket wins \$1,000 and the seller of the 2nd prize ticket wins \$500.

Remember the Council gets a "rebate" on the tickets purchased.

THANK YOU

Thank you all around from the 4th and 5th graders of Holy Trinity for the bibles and workbooks donated to their school. Be sure to visit the Council website to read the wonderful notes sent by the teachers and children.

Thank you's also to the Free Throw team on January 15th! Over 20 youths enjoyed competing at Holy Trinity's gymnasium.

A Walk Back in Time Council 389 History

Blessed Mother Hope of the World

Bishop Francis J. Haas, Bishop of Grand Rapids, at the Knights of Columbus Convention in 1949 at Mackinac Island opened the event with some very powerful words, "The force of evil in the world can be broken if the thing is pushed not only through our organization, but especially through the force of your individual lives and conduct."

He reminded the Knights that in the Blessed Virgin lies the hope of the world. "Our Blessed Lady of Fatima has urged us to say the Rosary and to keep on saying the Rosary. You hear men say: "The world is upside down. I can't figure out the answers."

"You, KofC's can help and help tremendously. You have an organization to enforce what is fair and de-

cent and right. But organization alone is not enough. Equally important are the good lives that your individual members put into your organization. I say to you KofC's that the force of evil in the world can be broken if the thing is pushed, not only through our organization but especially through the force of your individual lives and conduct.

Our Blessed Lady at Fatima has urged us to say the Rosary and to keep on saying the Rosary. She has made the definite promise to spare us from the evils of the world provided we are faithful to her Rosary. In her lies the hope of the world."

Bishop Haas was a member of Council 389. His (these) words are from 62 years ago, but still apply today. Pray the Rosary.

Fraternally, Worthy Knight Bob Foster

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