

May 2022 Newsletter



**Saints Peter and Paul Council 1369
Naperville, Illinois
www.napervillekofc.org**

Our Mission

We are Catholic men building a bridge back to faith. There is much good and necessary work to be done in this world, and that is what Knights do every day.

Our Faith

Our goal is to help men, their families and their parishes grow closer to Christ. Through our programs and resources, we provide opportunities to live and spread the Catholic Faith.

Our History

Service and charity are at the heart of the Knights. Founded to meet the needs of immigrants, refugees and families suffering the loss of a bread-winner, the Knights began as a small service organization and have grown into a world-wide financial and charitable organization.

Message from the Grand Knight

BROTHER KNIGHTS

YOUR ANNUAL PAYMENT TO THE COUNCIL WAS DUE IN JANUARY AND NEEDS TO BE PAID IMMEDIATELY. THOSE BROTHER KNIGHT'S WHO HAVE NOT YET PAID, PLEASE CONTACT AL KNOECK AT 630-272-7592.

Our Council has Director Position Openings

Partially due to the pandemic, our Council has depended upon a number of Brother Knights to hold more than one position. These particular positions are not electable positions. They are appointed positions and are appointed annually by the current Grand Knight. That being said, we would much prefer to appoint these positions to those Brother Knights that have some interest in serving our Council in these positions. Please read through the following descriptions of the Director Positions. The Director Positions are as follows: Membership Director; Program Director; Faith Director; Community Director; Family Director; and Life Director.

These are the major appointed positions that we really need to fill. However, there are a few other appointed positions, one of them being the Charity Ambassador and another a Council Youth Director and others will be filled on an as needed basis.



payment of monies — however, cannot override the vote of the council's membership

The trustee medal of office is composed of an axe and fasces overlaid with an anchor, positioned over crossed swords, surrounded with a laurel wreath and suspended from a ribbon of green. The fasces is an axe bound with rods. The swords symbolize justice and

honor. The laurel wreath symbolizes special service. The trustees are generally past grand knights, and this is the reason for the anchor over the fasces. The ribbon of green symbolizes loyalty in love.

Directors

* Membership Director *

- Appointed annually by the grand knight
- Oversees recruitment and retention for the council as well as insurance promotion
- Collaborates with the grand knight in setting the calendar of membership programs for the fraternal year
- Manages the recruitment and retention committees and insurance promotion chairman as they implement the council's membership growth program
- Ensures that *Membership Applications* (#100) are transmitted by the Financial Secretary to both the Membership Records Department at the Supreme Council and the general agent

- Keeps the council's public relations chairman informed of all membership programs and activities for promotion to the parish community and to local media

* Program Director *

The program director is responsible for providing the council leadership with guidance and direction needed on council programming.

- Appointed annually by the grand knight
- Collaborates with the grand knight in setting the calendar of council programs for the fraternal year
- Manages each category's program directors (Faith, Family, Community, and Life) and chairmen as they implement the council's programs
- Keeps accurate records of council programs for reporting on the *Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity* (#1728) and the *Columbian Award Application* (#SP-7), along with reports on all other program-related applications and reports – all can be found at kofc.org/forms
- Keeps the council's public relations chairman informed of all programs and activities for promotion to the parish community and to local media
- Must complete all required safe environment training and adhere to all policies and procedures under the Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Program. Additional information on this program is available kofc.org/safe

* Faith Director *

The Faith director reports to the program director. The individual appointed to this position should be comfortable discussing and planning faith formation activities for the council. He must be comfortable developing ties with other parish ministries to advance the needs of the whole parish community at the pastor's direction. He works with and understands the information available for faith development through the Order's Catholic Information Service (kofc.org/cis).

- Appointed by the grand knight, in consultation with the program director
- Responsible for all Faith based council programs
- Plans, coordinates, and promotes the required Faith program: *Spiritual Reflection***
- Assigns committee chairmen and develops committees that support vocations, parochial services and religious devotions
- Collaborates with the program director on which Supreme-recommended programs a council will conduct in the fraternal year and any other Faith programs
- Promotes membership in the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild and promotes the cause for his canonization (fathermcgivney.org)
- Keeps accurate records of the council's Faith programs for reporting to the program director, along with completing reports for the Refund Vocations Support

Program (RSVP), if applicable, and all other Faith programs

- Provides the council's public relations chairman information about all Faith programs and activities for promotion to the parish and local media

* Family Director *

The Family director reports to the program director. The individual appointed to this position should work to strengthen and nourish wholesome home life through the sponsorship of activities involving entire families, even when the age range of family members vary. This person should work to stimulate togetherness within families. He should be comfortable discussing and planning family programs that support and encourage service to the community and faith formation of council and parish families.

- Appointed by the grand knight, in consultation with the program director
- Responsible for all Family based council programs
- Plans, coordinates, and promotes the required Family program: *Consecration to the Holy Family***
- Assigns committee chairmen and develops committees that support family programs such as the many Supreme-recommended Family programs in the Faith in Action program model.
- Supports the areas of education and religious devotions of families, recreational activities and remembrance of fallen brother knights, and support of their widows and families members

- Collaborates with the program director on which Supreme-recommend programs a council will conduct in the fraternal year and any other Family programs
- Keeps accurate records of the council's Family programs for reporting to the program director, along with completing reports for the Food for Families and Family of the Month/Year program, if applicable, and all other family programs
- Provides the council's public relations chairman information about all Family programs and activities for promotion to the parish and local media
- Must complete all required safe environment training and must also pass a background check. Additionally, he must adhere to all policies and procedures under the Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Program. Additional information on this program is available at kofc.org/safe

* Community Director *

The Community director reports to the program director. The individual appointed to this position should be comfortable discussing and planning efforts in the broader community. He directs programs that support and encourage service to the community that fight poverty, aid the individual, promote athletic events, and sponsor larger programs and campaigns. He should be comfortable contacting and coordinating with organizations that align in key areas of community assistance along with local government agencies.

- Appointed by the grand knight, in consultation with
- Responsible for all Community based council programs
- Plans, coordinates, and promotes the required Community program: *Helping Hands***
- Assigns committee chairmen and develop committees that support civic involvement, public safety, the environment, health services, neighbors in need, morality and decency, honor Christopher Columbus, and support cultural diversity
- Collaborates with the program director on which Supreme-recommend programs a council will conduct in the fraternal year and any other Community programs
- Keeps accurate records of the council's Community programs for reporting to the program director, along with completing reports for the Coats for Kids, Global Wheelchair Mission and Habitat for Humanity programs, if applicable, and all other community programs
- Provides the council's public relations chairman information about all Community programs and activities for promotion to the parish and local media
- Must complete all required safe environment training and must also pass a background check. Additionally, he must adhere to all policies and procedures under the Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Program. Additional information on this program is available at kofc.org/safe

* Life Director *

The Life director reports to the program director. The individual appointed to this position should be comfortable discussing and planning efforts within the context of supporting and affirming life in all stages and in all conditions. Notably, he strives to promote programs that support and encourage the advancement of the pro-life movement, people with intellectual disabilities, and persecuted Christians.

- Appointed by the grand knight, in consultation with the program director
- Responsible for all Life based council programs
- Plans, coordinates, and promotes the required Life program: *Novena for Life***
- Assigns committee chairmen and develops committees that support right to life issues, civic involvement, pro-life education, pregnancy centers and more
- Collaborates with the program director on which Supreme-recommend programs a council will conduct in the fraternal year and any other Life programs
- Keeps accurate records of the council's Life programs for reporting to the program director, along with completing reports for the March for Life, Special Olympics and Ultrasound, if applicable, and all other community programs
- Keeps the council's public relations chairman informed of all Life programs and activities for promotion to the parish and local media

Upcoming Events

Special Olympics Spring Games

Region C's Spring Games is taking place this year on Saturday, April 30-Sunday, May 1 at Marmion Academy in Aurora.

In the past, our Council has helped out with the Awards. It would be great if we could get a group of us out there to help out. Please contact Donovan King at 630-981-1548 for more information as well as to put your name on the volunteer's list.

Spring Drive – Up Food Drive

The Spring Drive-Up Food Drive will take place on Saturday, May 7th. It will once again be held in the parking lot on the south side of Benton Avenue. The time of the Food Drive will be from 8:30 until 11:30. We will need a minimum of four volunteers per shift. The first shift will be from 8:15 until 10:00 and the second shift will be from 10:00 until 11:45. Please contact me (Larry) at 630-303-6137 to volunteer.

Ushering

One of our newest Brother Knights, Bob Krusec, who happens to be an usher in our parish, has a vision for our Council on developing a SSPP Usher Program. He shared his vision at our September Business Meeting and will be bringing forth more details very soon. Please keep this in mind. He can be reached at 630-200-1105.

Monthly Rosary at Planned Parenthood

Thank you to John Zabinski for your continuous support and dedication to this event. It takes place on the third Saturday of the month at 9:30 AM.

Fourth Degree News

No news to report

Event Summaries

PLEASE READ THIS

To those Brother Knights that are Chairman of any of our events, it is your responsibility to provide a short summary of your event for the monthly newsletter. The newsletter is normally disseminated on the last Friday of the month.

Kay Cee Club Property Status

No new developments

Donations, Donations...

Aluminum Can Collection

Our aluminum can collection is ongoing. Please drop them off next to the cage in the KC Hall parking lot. The funds from this endeavor continue to support our seminarians. Thank you to Al Knoeck and Larry Pociask for helping out to keep this going.

The War in Ukraine

Just a reminder that our Supreme Council is taking donations for the war torn people of Ukraine. Information can be found on the Supreme website.

Events Calendar

May – 2022

- 1 – Sunday – Special Olympics at Marmion – 8:00 to 4:00 (Donovan King)**
- 3 – Tuesday – Business Meeting – Nominating of Officers – 7:30 PM**
- 7 – Saturday – Drive - up Food Drive – 8:30 to 11:30 – Benton Ave. - Parking Lot**
- 8 – Sunday – Mother’s Day – Bottles for Babies Fund Drive Begins (Vijay K. Devadas)**
- 17 – Tuesday – Planning Meeting – 7:00 PM (if needed)**
- 21 – Saturday – Rosary at Planned Parenthood – 9:30 AM PRAYERS NEEDED**
- 30 – Monday – Memorial Day Parade – 10:00 AM**
- 30 – Monday – Memorial Day Mass – SSPP Cemetery – 8:00 AM**

June – 2022

- 7 – Tuesday – Business Meeting – Election of Officers – 7:30 PM**
- ? – Saturday – St. Raphael Blood Drive**
- 16 – Sunday – Corpus Christi**
- 18 – Saturday – Pro-Life Rosary at Planned Parenthood – 9:30 AM (John Zabinski)**
- 19 – Sunday – Father’s Day – Bottles for Babies Fund Drive Ends (Vijay K. Devadas)**
- 21– Tuesday – KayCee Club Meeting – 7:00 PM – ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND**

Brother Knights in Need

PRAYERS

If you are aware of any Brother Knights needing our prayers, please feel free to contact me so they can be included below.

Let us please remember in our prayers the following Brother Knights:

Mark Morrow, Alan Frey, Bob Hoole, Bill Pinkham, Bob Niemoeller, & Bill Reid.
We should also keep Len Pawlak in our prayers as he is recovering from by-pass surgery.

FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

If there are Brother Knights experiencing financial hardship and are unable to pay their annual dues, please contact our Financial Secretary, Al Knoeck with a simple email.

[\(aknoeck@hotmail.com\)](mailto:aknoeck@hotmail.com)

EMPLOYMENT

If you are either seeking employment or trying to upgrade your employment status and would like to be included in our newsletter or if you would like to continue to be mentioned, please contact me at the information given below.

If you have questions regarding this newsletter or any other Council issues, please feel free to contact Grand Knight Larry Pociask at 630-303-6137 or lcp3246@yahoo.com. For information about membership, please contact Rodger Guebert at 630-877-0770 or rqueb@sbcglobal.net.