



***THE HOLMEN
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
NEWSLETTER***

***FATHER JOHN ROSSITER COUNCIL #9385
HOLMEN, WISCONSIN***



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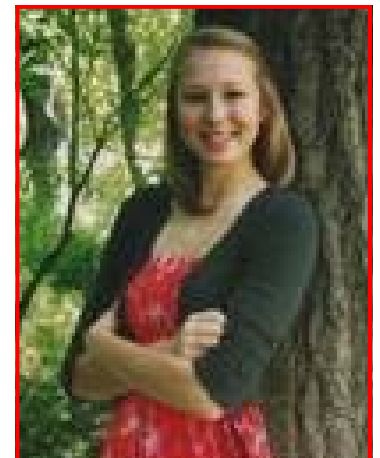
*CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL 2011 HIGH SCHOOL
AND COLLEGE GRADUATES
SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR HOLMEN
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS*



*Hannah Corcoran -
The Father John
Rossiter Memorial
Scholarship*



*Brianna Popple -
The Father Delber Malin
Scholarship*



*Caroline Kannel -
The Donald Pedretti
Memorial
Scholarship*

***ATTENTION ALL KNIGHTS !
25th ANNIVERSARY***

***HOLMEN KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
CELEBRATION BANQUET***

SAVE THE DATE! SUNDAY, JULY 17th

GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Dear Brother Knights,

The last week of May, I had the privilege to present certificates to our scholarship winners for Holmen High School. Our council awarded two \$500 and one \$400 scholarships this year and it was exciting to present these scholarships as we had renamed them to remember people who played an integral part in our council history. This year's winners were:

Hannah Corcoran - The Father John Rossiter Memorial Scholarship

Brianna Popple - The Father Delber Malin Scholarship

Caroline Kannel - The Donald Pedretti Memorial Scholarship

Congratulations to all our Graduates and Best of Luck in your future endeavors!

We have fine slate of officer nominations to present to the membership at the next regular meeting. We will present this slate of nominations and ask if there are any others who want to serve. Tom Hundt had done a great job in getting those interested in holding office to step up and do so. We are always looking for new ideas and members. Be sure to thank and congratulate the winners when you see them.

On behalf of our Council #9385, I would like to thank Father Robert Schaller for all his hard work, dedication, inspiration, and service as our Pastor at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton and wish him the best in his new assignment at Saint James Parish in La Crosse. Father, I personally can not thank you enough for what you have done for me, my family, our council, and our Parish over the past six years. It can not be forgotten or duplicated. Thank You and God Bless.

As always, if you know of a brother sick or in distress, let an officer know.

May all our Brother Knights have a Fantastic Father's Day and a very safe Summer.

Fraternally,

Joe LaMere, GK



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sun. June 12..... Regular Council #9385 Meeting / election of officers
- Thurs. June 23..... Clergy Appreciation Night at La Crosse
- Mon....June 27..... Officers Meeting
- Sun. July 10..... No Regular Council Meeting
- Sun. July 17..... Council Awards/Appreciation / 25th Anniversary Banquet
- Mon. July 25..... Officers Meeting / new officers
- Sun. Aug 14..... Regular Council Meeting
- Sat. August 20..... Holmen KornFest Fun-Run
- Sun. Aug. 21..... KC KornFest Breakfast
- Mon. Aug 29..... Officers Meeting
- Sun. Sept 11..... Regular Council Meeting

FATHER DEL MALIN

Psalm 103:13 As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him;

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MIKE BRUHA

He will be a seat of honor for the house of his father...



This month we say goodbye to our parish father. It is a daunting task for one man to try to provide for the many needs of a parish such as ours. As the father to his parish a priest draws from the many examples that Jesus provided during his earthly ministry; the role of teacher as he preached in the Sermon of the Mount, the contemplative challenger as when he answered those who wished to stone the adulterer, and as a conversationalist as when he engaged the women at the well. For many of us Father Schaller fulfilled those roles not always, as we wanted but often as we needed and for that, we are grateful. For your knowledge, directive, and reflections you have imparted and invoked in our spiritual journeys, thank you, good luck, and God bless you Father Schaller; Semper Fi!

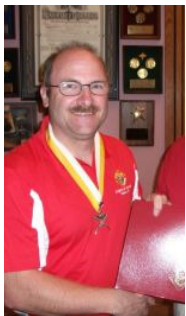
In addition, this month, we honor the fathers of our homes, who often played the role as needed and not always wanted as we mature into the men we are and yet to become. A fathers role is to love, guide, protect, and play and yet today many of us, who are now fathers, grandfathers, or even great-grandfathers ourselves find those principals and actions of our fathers and the fathers before him continually to shape our lives.

As Fathers, we only read of the written role of St. Joseph the paternal protector of the Holy Family lovingly guiding and protecting Our Mother and Savior across the years and the lands of Israel and Egypt. Because we only read of his role of protector and provider, we can forget that he was also a teacher, student, and playmate to our Lord. In our daily struggles, we can easily find ourselves stuck in the role of as the strong provider, enforcer, teacher, and protector that we can forget that we are to learn from our children. Just as St. Joseph surely did, we are to teach our children, learn from them, and play with them, to enjoy our roles as father. As Jean Vanier, the founder of L'Arche reminds us, "It is when the father gets down on his hands and knees and engages in play with a young child, it is the child who teaches the father about the playfulness and tenderness of God's love".

My brother knights as we honor our fathers and our children honor us, let us not forget that we are to be teachers, students, and playmates with our children so to experience the tenderness and playfulness of God's love.

Vivat Jesus!

Jeff Reiter, DGK



CONGRATULATIONS : AWARDS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY.

Knight of the Month: Jerry GLentz Thanks to Jerry and his son Jared for doing the May Adopt a Highway Clean-Up. Father and son did the cleanup themselves as they did 8 years ago! Many thanks to Jerry for revamping the parish website! You can find our newsletter online, parish staff info and current and upcoming parish events. Check out his excellent work at www.seasholmen.org or at <http://www.seasholmen.org/kc/kc-main.html>



Family of the Month: Lynn & Betty Schultz and Jay & Pamela Clark Betty and Lynn Schultz and Pam and Jay Clark coordinated the decoration and preparations of our church for this past Easter celebration. Thanks for the beautiful environment our parish enjoyed celebrating Our Lord's Resurrection!





This is the total donations for 2011:

Friday-----\$1,803.23

Saturday-\$1,888.94

Church----- \$165.40

Total-----\$3,857.57



Everything went very well this year with the weather being wonderful .

Thanks,

CHAIRMEN Dick Cantlon and Todd Knutson



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Did you know that about 50% of households in the United States and Canada have no individually owned life insurance? The statistics for why people have not availed themselves of life insurance coverage are pretty clear, and they really don't change from survey to survey. First, let's look at the survey results (provided by the Life Insurance Marketing Research Association in 2010).

Why people don't buy life insurance:

- 74% list "can't afford the coverage" as a major reason they don't buy.
- 52% say a major reason is that they "can't decide what to buy."
- 50% agree it is a good idea but "put it off until tomorrow."
- 43% worry about "making the wrong decision."

Let's examine each of these reasons. First, the vast majority lists a major reason as lack of affordability in the coverage, yet coverage is only offered if it meets your budget. It is in no one's best interest to offer you a product that you cannot afford. A good agent (like me and other Knights of Columbus agents) goes through a process with you of determining what the affordable monthly cost is. For the record, a healthy non-smoking 40-year-old male can get \$500,000 of term coverage with the Order for just about \$1.50 a day.

If a client can't decide what to buy, I will conduct a needs analysis, which helps identify goals and objectives while considering your budget, at no cost. We offer term insurance, permanent insurance or a mix of both. We believe a combination of these products can solve all personal protection issues.

Putting the purchase of life insurance off can be costly, and I recommend against that. You get older and premiums go up, and you run the very real risk that your health can change. A negative change in your health can cause your costs to increase, or cause you to be denied coverage all together. Delay can be disaster.

For those who worry about "making the wrong decision?" Well, I can help. You can trust me. I know what to look for and what to recommend. A conversation with me can help erase your doubt.

JIM BERNACKI, FIC.
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HAPPY BIRTHDAYS BROTHER KNIGHTS

Bill Welch, Jr.	1-Jun
Joe Schaller	4-Jun
Gabe Nugent	7-Jun
Chris Butler	16-Jun
Ben Nugent	27-Jun
John Poppo	28-Jun
Leo Dummer	28-Jun
Rev. Robt. Schaller	6-Jul
Charles Gilkes	7-Jul
John Frei	9-Jul

(please notify editor if your name should have been included)

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The gravesites of our Council name-sake Father John Daniel Rossiter, his brother, Father Richard Rossiter and other Rossiter Family members can be visited at the Catholic Cemetery on Losey Boulevard in La Crosse, WI.



May their souls, and all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.

In Memory of
Harold and Elizabeth
Mathews

IN MEMORY OF
WILLIAM G.
DVORACEK

FOR DECEASED
MEMBERS OF
THE
STUPI FAMILY

PLACE
YOUR
AD
HERE!



Dear Knights,

As we all move into the lazy (or is it busy) days of summer, it's easy to get caught up with summer ball games, picnics, swimming, etc. But let's remember to take time for those important things that are calling for our attention throughout the year. We need to keep up the good work of caring for those in our community who are less fortunate than we and the Knights have an excellent track record of doing just that. We are reminding you, also, to think of those we cannot see...the unborn...and the pain which is often hidden...a mother or father struggling with an unplanned pregnancy.

There are two ways you can stay involved in the cause for life this summer. First, we have a "Spiritual Adoption" program going on at St. Elizabeth's. To participate in this, simply pick up a prayer card from the bulletin board, name your spiritually adopted baby and pray for him or her for nine months. This is a great way to introduce praying for the unborn to children.

The second item is the 2nd Annual "Ladies for Life" Tea on Sunday, June 12th, at 2:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall, 130 S. Losey Boulevard.

The enjoyable afternoon will include tasty tea sandwiches, scrumptious sweets, a silent auction, live local music, formal table setting competition, and an activity corner with crafts for the young ladies, and lots of door prizes! Keynote speaker will be Lisa Sommers from Rachel's Vineyard which offers post-abortive healing for women and men.

Knights, you may wish to help serve the ladies at the tea, or treat your wife, daughters, or gal friends to an enjoyable afternoon by paying for the tickets! Give Marie Allen a call if you can help serve: 784-5189.

The tickets are \$10 for adults (11 and older), \$5 for children under 11, babes in arms are free. Tickets will be available by calling Elizabeth Garibaldi at 608-769-4014 or Marie Allen at 784-5189.

If any of the ladies would like to participate in the "Set a Table" competition, it's not too late, contact Jennifer Fisk at pfisk@centurytel.net or 608-783-0246 for details.

For all our unborn brothers and sisters (and future Knights) God Bless you all.

Paul and Jennifer Fisk,

Fr. Rossiter Council Pro-Life Couple



**In Memory of
Lorraine Breed**

*THE
TOM & ROZ
HUNDT FAMILY*

Imagine being part of an organization that fills your heart and your mind with the joy of giving to others and the feeling that comes with making a difference.

I WANT TO JOIN!

Knights are Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church. Being a Knight is more than camaraderie; it is being involved with your community; it is supporting your local Catholic Church, while enhancing your own faith; it is about protecting and enhancing your family life.



Brother Knight Tom Garibaldi and his daughter Sarah at the May crowning at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse.

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FATHER JOHN ROSSITER
Our KC Council #9385 bears his name!
Who was he?



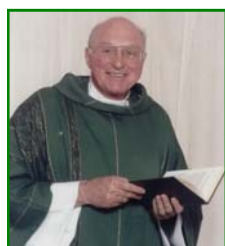
He was a delightful , humorous, faithful priest...a character filled with stories and laughter...a friend !

The facts are: He was born in La Crosse in 1920. The Rossiter family were long time members of Iod St. Mary's Parish where he attended grade school. he graduated from Aquinas High School in 1938. After two years at UW-La Crosse (then La Crosse State Teachers College) he joined the Army Signal Corps seeing duty in Australia, New Guinea and the Philippines during World War II. His war stories are legendary. In 1947 he received a Business Administration degree from UW-Madison. There he learned "ON WISCONSIN" and "VARSITY"...he would sing both with only a modest amount of encouragement. When he applied to our diocese to be accepted as a candidate for the priesthood, Bishop John P. Treacy assigned him to St. John's Seminary in Little Rock, Arkansas. he was ordained on may 16, 1953. His first assignment was to St. Patrick's parish in Eau Claire with teaching duties at Regis high School and later became principal at Regis H.S. In 1968 Father John became pastor of St. Patrick's Parish in Onalaska, WI. In the early 1980's he began to celebrate Mass, one Sunday a month, at the Golden Palace in Holmen, WI. This was "testing the waters" time...a time to evaluate the feasibility of establishing a new parish in Holmen. Bishop Freking did establish our parish of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in 1983. Father John had a younger brother, Father Dick, who was ordained in 1947. It took John a few more years to hear the Lord's call than it did Dick. Father Richard was principal of Aquinas high School in the 1960's and died of cancer. I believe that my friendship with both these men was a real consideration for my being assigned as the first pastor of St. Elizabeth's.

On February 7, 1985, Father John celebrated mass for the parish and the children attending St. Pat's School. While he was in his thanksgiving prayer, a man entered the sanctuary and shot him. He dies at age 64. Two other men were also killed...Ferdinand Roth and Bill Hammes, both men active and devoted to their parish.

He was a priest's priest...a man's man. I miss his laughter and joy.

by Father Del Malin, Chaplin



(The following letter was submitted by our Council's first Chaplain and St. Elizabeth's Pastor Emeritus Father Del Malin as to how our council was formed 25 years ago!)

From August 1983 to December 1985, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish celebrated mass and the sacraments in the old Golden Palace movie theater (now the Fed-Ex building). During those exciting days of church planning and community organizing, we met very often in the rectory basement...or any other place that could accommodate us.

About as soon as we moved into our present church, there was talk of forming a Men's Club. As this thought developed, a few parishioners, already Knights of Columbus in La Crosse, suggested that we form a council in our parish. KC Council #9385 was chartered in 1986, less than a year after we moved into our present church.

This charter hangs on the wall of our gathering place. 39 men formed the charter members of the council. The membership has grown over the years. These men have been very active in helping our parish. Their works of charity and generosity are many.

Father Del Malin, June 2011


COUNCIL #9385 OFFICERS 2010—2011

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Treasurer.....Peter Tabor,
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and Mike Bruha

HOLMEN KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Monthly meeting schedule : Officers meetings are held on the last Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at the PIZZA CORRAL on Hwy 53. Regular Council meetings are held on the second Sunday of the month at 7 p.m. at St. Elizabeth's Church in the gathering space at entrance of church. All Knights of Columbus members in good standing are invited to attend all regular meetings and officers meetings.

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KNIGHT LITE !

A sheriff walks into a saloon, and shouts for everyone's attention. "Has anyone seen Brown Paper Jake?", he asks. "What's he look like?", asks one shoddy looking cowboy. "Well", replies the Sheriff. "He wears a brown paper hat, a brown paper waistcoat, a brown paper shirt, brown paper boots, brown paper pants, and a brown paper jacket." "So what's he wanted for?", asks the same cowboy. "Rustlin'...", replies the Sheriff.



Alcatraz : A couple with three children waited in line at San Francisco's Pier 41 to purchase tickets for a boat trip to Alcatraz. Others watched with varying degrees of sympathy and irritation as the young children fidgeted, whined, and punched one another. The frazzled parents reprimanded them to no avail. Finally they reached the ticket window. "Five tickets, please," the father said. "Two round trip, three one way."

Plaster Cast ; A school teacher injured his back and had to wear a plaster cast around the upper part of his body. It fit under his shirt and was not noticeable at all. On the first day of the term, still with the cast under his shirt, he found himself assigned to the toughest students in school. Walking confidently into the rowdy classroom, he opened the window as wide as possible and then busied himself with desk work. When a strong breeze made his tie flap, he took the desk stapler and stapled the tie to his chest. Discipline was not a problem from that day forth!

An older, tired-looking dog wandered into my yard. I could tell from his collar and well-fed belly that he had a home and was well taken care of. He calmly came over to me, and I gave him a few pats on his head. He then followed me into my house, slowly walked down the hall, curled up in the corner and fell asleep. An hour later, he went to the door, and I let him out. The next day he was back, greeted me in my yard, walked inside and resumed his spot in the hall and again slept for about an hour. This continued off and on for several weeks. Curious I pinned a note to his collar: "I would like to find out who the owner of this wonderful sweet dog is and ask if you are aware that almost every afternoon your dog comes to my house for a nap." The next day he arrived for his nap, with a different note pinned to his collar: "He lives in a home with 6 children, 2 under the age of 3 - he's trying to catch up on his sleep. Can I come with him tomorrow?"

While watching a a movie recently recently, a man couldn't hear the dialogue over the chatter of the two women sitting in front of him. Unable to bear it any longer, he tapped one of them on the shoulder. "Excuse me," he said, "I can't hear." "I should hope not," one woman replied sharply. "This is a private conversation."

Mrs. Casey, the Geography teacher stands in front of a map of the world. Mrs. Casey: Brendan, can you tell me where in the world America is placed on this map? Brendan shows her America. Mrs. Casey: Now, Ellie, can you tell me the name of the person who discovered America? Ellie: Yes, Mrs. Casey. Brendan just did !!!

When a fellow called a motel and asked how much they charged for a room, the clerk told him that the rates depended on room size and number of people. "Do you take children?" the man asked. "No, sir," replied the clerk. "Only cash and credit cards."



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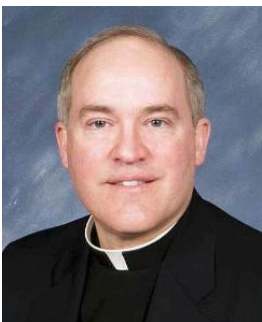
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HOLMEN KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
WILL BE SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2011, 7:00 p.m.
AT ST. ELIZABETH'S CHURCH.



SUNDAY— JULY 17, 2011
25th ANNIVERSARY BANQUET
HOLMEN KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
FATHER JOHN ROSSITER COUNCIL #9385
AT TOWN OF HOLLAND HALL



*May joy and peace
surround you,
Contentment latch your
door, And happiness be
with you now, And God
bless you evermore.*

FAREWELL FATHER SCHALLER

The Holmen Knights of Columbus send their best wishes and a fond farewell to our Pastor and Council Chaplain Father Robert Schaller as he takes his new assignment at St. James Parish in La Crosse, WI.