Paul Zielinski - Elected Indiana K of C State Advocate

Sir Knight Paul Zielinki of Council #12540 St Malachy Parish of Brownsburg was elected State Advocate at the 2012 State Convention held at the Marriott Center East Hotel on April 8 - 10, 2012. He was elected from a slate of other candidates from across Indiana. He will serve a 2 year term as Advocate and then be eligible for State Treasurer for 2 additional years. He will then assume the role of State Deputy. Paul indicated he was very appreciative of the Council’s support at the Hospitality Booth. “I couldn’t have done it without the help of my Brother Knights”.

Officer Elections

During the July 2, 2012 Business Meeting, the slate of Officers for 2012 - 2013 was unanimously approved by the attending Council membership:

Chaplain - Father Joe Feltz
Grand Knight - Tony Shriner
Deputy Grand Knight - Dave Latka
Chancellor - Will Loberger
Financial Secretary - Roger Manternanch
Recorder - Mike Balensiefer
Treasurer - Rich Mroz
Advocate - Jack Kline
Warden - Dale Ternet
Inside Guard - Jim Murphy
Outside Guard - Greg Fry

The Officer Installation Ceremony will be July 31, 2012 following the 6:00 PM Mass in the Church

13th Annual Knights of Columbus Charity Golf

On June 24, 2012, 24 foursomes gathered at West Chase Golf Course for the 13th Annual K of C Charity Golf Outing.

Lunch, fellowship and putting preceded the 1:30 PM shot-gun-start with dinner & awards ceremony following the outing.

With temperatures in the upper 90’s this year’s participant battled the links and the heat!

Special thanks to this year’s corporate sponsor:

Comfort Dental Care - Avon - Drs. Brad and Jill Houston & Dr. Michael Spees

Sharing golf stories and fellowship @ West Chase
The Way of St. James in Spain & France.

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Michael is spending 10 weeks in the pilgrimage in the summer of 2012. Please pray for Michael during his pilgrimage.

Greetings Fellow Knights & families!

It is with great joy that I begin my second year as your Grand Knight. First and foremost, thank you to everyone that volunteered their time, talent &/or treasure. It is because of the volunteer efforts of our brothers that we witnessed such a successful year of events, such as: seminarian cookout, state soccer tournament, euchre tournament, know-it-all, fish fry & charity golf outing. In order to make this next twelve months even better, we'll need more brothers to step-up and volunteer.

Keep in mind, that the most important thing that we can do is to love God with all of our hearts & soul and to love our neighbors as our self.

In order to do this we must make one simple commitment; Put God First!

When we truly put The Holy Trinity above all things in our lives, then and only then, will we find true fulfillment each and every day. Furthermore, by placing God number one in our priorities, we can then better focus on how it is The Lord wants us to use our time, talent & treasure.

Let us evoke the words of Jesus in the sixth chapter of Matthew’s gospel: “seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness.” All of us (and most definitely yours truly) can and needs to make a greater effort at this. Therefore, my challenge for our council this year is to work tirelessly at placing God first in our lives. Upon our council making this concerted effort, we will certainly see the fruits of the Holy Spirit burst forth from our labor as followers of Christ.

Thanks be to God!

Tony Shriner

Support Our Seminarians

Michael Connor, 1ST year Philosophy, at St Meinrad was presented with $500 stipend at the April 9th Council meeting. Michael will be using the gift to walk the Camino de Santiago (“The Way of St. James”) in Spain & France.

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Knights of Columbus #12540 Council Garden

On Saturday, May 18, 2012 Brother Knights began the annual planting of the Council’s vegetable garden. Brother Jim Murphy has donated garden space at his home to help the Council provide fresh vegetables to Second Helpings in Indianapolis. Second Helpings, Inc.

accepts donated perishable and overstocked food to prepare nutritious meals for thousands of hungry children and adults every day, and distributes them free of charge through local social service agencies in Greater Indianapolis. Second Helpings also trains unemployed and underemployed adults for meaningful careers in the culinary industry.

Volunteers are still needed throughout the growing season to help weed & harvest the vegetable for distribution to Second Helpings.

Contact Dale Ternet for details.
Honorary & Honorary Life Members

The following Brother Knights received Honorary Life Membership in 2012:

Mike McVey
Paul Sorrentino

Honorary Members are members who have attained the age of 65 and who have been a member of the Order 25 consecutive years.

Honorary Life Members are members who have attained the age of 70 years and who have been a member of the Order 25 consecutive years.

The Council has 3 Honorary and 25 Honorary Life Members.

2012 Tootsie Roll Drive

The 2012 K of C Tootsie Roll Drive was held May 1 – 6. Knights manned locations at Marsh, Kroger, CVS, K-mart & Old Farm Market in Brownsburg, Indianapolis, Avon & Plainfield.

St Malachy Council #12540 had another successful year with proceeds again benefiting the Hendricks County Special Olympics and SPRED.

Special thanks to the John Mullen Family for their dedicated coordination of this annual event.

2012 Scholarship Winners

On July 2, 2012, the following St Malachy youth were presented scholarships by Brother Knight Mike Waters:

Council #12540 $2000 Scholarship
Lauren Owen
St Louis University

Council #12540 $500 Scholarship
Ashley King
Cathedral High School

$1000 McCracken Award
Ross Fennimore
Bellarmine University

Council #12540 $500 Scholarship
Emma Houston
Cardinal Ritter High School

Proceeds from the St Malachy Know-It-All competition are used to fund these annual scholarships.

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State K of C Receives CareNet Award

The State of Indiana Knights of Columbus was presented the CareNet Award for their purchase of the state’s first ultrasound machine.

The machine was donated with funds raised by various Indiana K of C Councils with Sir Knight Mike Nygra spearheading the effort.

The Mooresville facility of CareNet was the 1st in the State of Indiana to receive this vital equipment. It is used to help women in crisis pregnancies see the life growing inside her and choose life for her unborn child.

CareNet Pregnancy Centers of Central Indiana has 3 locations; Martinsville, Mooresville and White-land.

Care Net Pregnancy Centers of Central Indiana, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving those who find themselves in an unplanned pregnancy or pregnancy related circumstances. Founded in 1997, they have been providing loving, compassionate support to everyone they serve. All of services are confidential and free of charge. Additional information about CareNet Pregnancy Centers of Center Indiana can be found at:

http://www.carenetpc.org/

Council #12540 Helps with Habitat for Humanity Build

Saturday, June 2, 2012, members of St Malachy Council #12540 participated in a Habitat for Humanity build in Plainfield, Indiana.

Brother Will Loberger coordinated the activity as Community Director for the Council.

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Indianapolis (HFHGI) is an ecumenical Christian ministry that provides low-income individuals and families the life-changing opportunity to purchase and own simple, quality, affordable homes.

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Indianapolis defines “need” as someone earning 50% of the average median income (AMI) for the Indianapolis area. That equates to roughly a $20,000 annual income for a family of four.

“Knight Nite”

The second Monday of each month is reserved by St Malachy #12540 as a council social meeting.

Come join our next “Knight Nite” on August 20th for food and fellowship!
Upcoming Events

July 2012
7/31 Installation of Officer (following 6:00 PM Mass)

August 2012
8/6 Business Meeting
8/13 Seminarian Cookout
8/15 Feed the Homeless
8/20 Knight Nite Social Meeting
8/25-26 4th Degree Exemplification - Shelbyville

September 2012
9/3 Labor Day (No Bus. Meeting)
9/17 Knight Nite Social Meeting

Resources

Word Among Us
www.wau.org/

United State Conference of Catholic Bishops
www.usccb.org

Catholic Answers
www.catholic.com

Knights of Columbus - Supreme Council
www.kofc.org

Knights of Columbus - Indiana State Council
www.indianakofc.org

Knights of Columbus - St Malachy #12540
www.kofcmalachy.org/

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