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Brothers - As we close another month and look forward to October, here are some informational highlights from your council.

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**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Due to scheduling conflicts we have had to move the date of our October general business meeting from October 19th to **Friday, October 14th**. The meeting time is still 7:30 pm with a rosary before at 6:45 pm. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

**Knight of the Month** - Larry Guastella. Larry joined our council in May and since then has been a very active member. He has not missed a monthly council meeting and has volunteered to work at virtually all of our activities since then. He even had his wife, Cali, helping us at the Pasta Dinner. Larry is also pursuing the Shining Armor Award. Thank you Larry for all your hard work in support of our council!

**Family of the Month** - Hans and Joyce Hansen. Hans and Joyce were once again very instrumental in making our annual Pasta Dinner in August a big success. Hans and Joyce are also very active members of St. Thomas a'Becket parish, supporting several parish ministries and activities. Thank you both for all you do!

**Pasta Dinner** - Thanks to all who helped make the August Pasta Dinner a big success. We sold over 200 tickets and after expenses the council netted over \$500. In addition we raised another \$340 in donations for the Maupin Family Trust. Great job, brothers!

**Blue Mass & Pancake Breakfast** - On September 11th we did our Blue Mass to honor those first responders and military in our local community. We were happy to have been joined at 8:00 Mass and the breakfast after by seven families. It felt good to give them some well deserved recognition!

**MI Drive** - The Fall MI Drive is October 7th, 8th and 9th this year. We still could use a few more volunteers to fill a few more time slots. Remember, the more time slots we fill, the more money we collect to aid the developmentally disabled community! Call Dan Vaseau at 734-536-0208 if you can volunteer your time.

**Council Food Drive** - Our annual council food drive will begin this month. Please bring canned goods and dry packaged food products to the October 14th meeting. We will be collecting food goods until November 16th so that we can get our donations in to the food bank before Thanksgiving. Thanks in advance, brothers, for your generosity.

**Charity Poker Fundraiser** - We will be holding a charity poker event at Northville Downs on October 20, 21 and 22. We will need your help to staff the event during the hours of 6:00 pm to 2:00 am. Call GK Ed Harkins at 734-634-0929 if you can help.

**October is Respect Life Month** - We remember the victims of abortion this month, both the unborn children and the mothers who have been scarred by this horror. Please take some time in October to remember them in your prayers.

You might remember that in July we donated \$500 toward the purchase of a special needs bicycle for a very special eight year old member of St. Thomas a'Becket parish. His name is Jonathan. This past month we received a nice thank you card from Jonathan and his mother and a picture of Jonathan on his new bike. A picture is worth a 1000 words and just look at the big smile on that young man's face! Well done, brother Knights!



**Final notes:**

**Don't forget our next business meeting is Friday October 14th, starting promptly at 7:30 pm. Hope to see you there!**

**Please remember all brothers of this council who are sick or in distress in your prayers.**