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District 8 - District Deputy Message

Brother Knights,



Brian Rodgers

As you read this month's On Course, North Dakota's annual state convention is happening and Brother Knights from across the state are gathering to celebrate the year, discuss the state of affairs, and plan for the upcoming year. Keep all who are traveling in your prayers so that God's blessings may be given to all with any connection

to the convention. Talk to your delegates before they leave but more importantly after they return. Delegates take time at your monthly meeting talking about what was discussed at the convention, especially information that will have direct impact on your council.

We also are heading into the last part of the Lenten Season which means that Easter will soon be here. We must continue to work on our preparations, making them meaningful and long-lasting. The sacrifices (and maybe additions) that we have made during this time could be something that we continue on after the Lenten Season. Continue with additional prayer time, time in adoration, or time spent at soup kitchens. Keep the extra monies given during Lent as part of your normal tithing. All of these allow us to make meaningful changes not only for the 40 days of Lent but also the rest of the year as well.

I want to take a moment to also thank all who were able to generously give of their time and helped with our annual free throw contest. The state contest was just held and one of our local participants finished in a tie at the state level but lost in the extra throws. I know when we think of the Knights we automatically think of food as we have many breakfasts, dinners, and fish fries throughout the year but we also have more to offer to our parishes and communities. Keep this in mind as you are being asked to serve your parishes, help at the various meals, and, yes, in a gym helping with the free throw contest.

Our organization has so much to offer beyond the volunteering. What we enjoy as Knights should be shared and we need to share it with fellow members of our parishes. Work in these last few months to invite more men to join our ranks.

Vivat Jesus, **Brian Rodgers** District Deputy - District #8

St. John the Apostle Council 1150

Brother Knights,

I pray you and your families are doing well this Lenten season.

Thank you to our Parish family for joining us at our last breakfast to support the Special Olympics and Home on the Range that was sponsored by Perkins Bakery and Restaurant. The Council would also like to thank everyone who supported our breakfasts and a special thank you to our sponsors who allow us to support worthy causes that mean so much to our community.

Fr. Dave suggested we pray together just asking God to reveal to us what He wants for our council, instead of what we think would be good, so that when we all come together to clarify what God wants, it enlivens us to be confident and courageous in doing it. Using the booklet "According to the plan I will show you" Father will lead us in prayer and reflection so we, as Knights of Columbus, connect better with God and do what He wishes us to do. As Fr. Dave said, "Our success rate is usually higher if we're doing what God wants us to do."

For those members of the Council wanting to join us, we will be gathering at 6:30 pm in the church; before our regular meeting on April 3.

This summer Council 1150 is offering 4 scholarships to Trinity Youth Camp again this year. Children entering grades 4 through 8 are eligible for one of the 3 sessions. The Trinity Youth Camp will have 2 locations: Pelican Lake (Camp Metigoshe) July 16-20, July 30- August 3, and Camp of the Cross (near Garrison) on July 23-27. To apply email the name, age, and grade of the child or children along with the parent's/guardian's name which camp the child would like to attend to tyc.kc1150@gamil.com.

I look forward discerning God's plan for us before our next meeting on April 3 at 6:30pm followed by our meeting at 7:00pm. Bring a Brother Knight and/or a friend.

Vivat Jesus!!

Grand Knight Dan Heald

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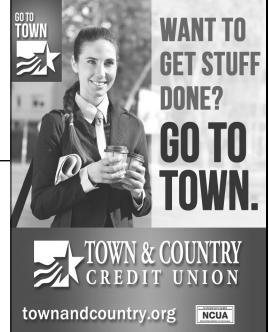
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St. Michael Council 4715

Brothers Christ,

Lent is upon us. If you are like me you are struggling with your lent devotion, or sacrifice. We may have chosen to give something up, refrain from some undesirable behavior, take part in some additional prayers and fasting, or perform some extra acts of kindness. Whatever it is that we take on this lent don't get discouraged or give up. We may fail some days but our God is a God of second chances. Take advantage of the sacrament of Reconciliation and ask Jesus to help you in your need. I know that with Jesus all things are possible.

Council 4715's March 7th Fish Supper was well attended and staffed thanks to all the support of knights of 4715. Thank you to the knights from Minot that attended the event with their spouses and friends.

The knights of council 4715 are also helping with Friday Stations of the Cross and providing a meat free soup and sandwich after stations during lent. The parish participation has grown and the knights plan to continue to assist Fr Christy in this program.

State Knights of Columbus Convention in Jamestown is April 4-6. As Grand Knight I look forward to seeing brother knights delegates and sharing the accomplishments of this fraternal year so far. Wishing you all a fruitful lent and blessed Easter.

Grand Knight, Travis Klein

Intention of Pope Francis for April 2025

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Our Lady of Grace Council 4894

Brother Knights,

I pray that all is well with each and everyone of you. I pray everyone is in good health and in God's blessings.

I want to thank all of you that helped out at the breakfasts and other events that the council has had over the past few months. I hope you will continue to participate throughout the year.

This is a glorious time of the year for the Church and everyone. Easter and the Resurrection of Our Lord is here. Let us all rejoice and praise the Lord. I hope each of you is participating in helping the Church during this fantastic time. There are many opportunities to do so.

I want to thank Father Maus for Pizza Night and all that helped out. It was a good time for all. Also for Ash Wednesday Soup and sandwiches, we fed 160 people which was a good turnout.

I pray that each and everyone of you have a glorious and blessed Easter. May God Bless You.

I TRUST IN YOU JESUS

Grand Knight Jim Weaver

Msgr. Joseph J. Raith Assembly 787

SIR KNIGHTS and LADIES,

I pray that all is well with each and everyone of you. I pray that all of you remain in good health and in God's blessings. Please pray for Brother Jerry Clark as his health isn't good.

As everyone knows Easter is coming and the Resurrection of Our Lord is a glorious time for the Church. I hope that everyone participates in helping the Church during this wonderful time. There are numerous ways to assist within your Parish. Please take advantage of these opportunities to fulfill the mission of the Church.

I want to thank everyone for participating in the Stands and other events that the Assembly has had during the

past few months. I hope you will continue to participate during the rest of the year.

I want to apologize for the last meeting we had because of all the noise. It made it difficult to understand what was being said. I would also like to apologize for my becoming upset. It was very frustrating to try and hold a meeting in those conditions. I ask for your forgiveness.

I hope each and everyone of you have a Joyous and Blessed Easter.

VIVAT JESUS

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I pray that you are all doing well and having a blessed Lenten season as we prepare for holy week coming up. Try and get in as much holy time these last few weeks of lent with adoration, making a good confession and attending most, if not all of the masses during holy week. Such as Holy Thursday, Good Friday and of course Easter, you will grow more spiritually in your faith life and grow more closely to our Lord Jesus.

We were blessed to have the St. Joseph Icon at our parish this past month, and thank the knights and everyone else who came out and prayed the rosary, asking for the intercession of St. Joseph for the holiness of families.

I would like to thank everyone who came out to our last fundraiser breakfast, it was a lot of fun and we were blessed with everyone who attended and showed there support, benefiting the Home on the Range. We Invite you to come out to our last breakfast of the season April 13th 8:30-12:00, which will be benefiting our Catechesis of the Good Sheppard program at our parish. Hope to see you there!!!

Server of the Month- Frances Olson, who finds absolute joy in serving in the mass, alongside her brother Calvin and look forward to her as she grows in her faith.

Knight of the Month-Bruce Barthlomew, who joined our council and are very happy to have him in our group, he is a great help with our knights events and it's a fun time when he is around. He also represents our council at the forth degree meetings and are very grateful.

Family of the Month- John & Stephanie White, when

John and his family joined our church they fit right into our parish family. John joined our knights group, his wife Stephanie helped out with our religious education program and alongside them are their five beautiful children. It is an absolute joy to see all of them and their kids smiling faces when they show up for our knights fundraiser breakfasts.

Our knights want to thank those for all that they do and are truly blessed that they are part of our parish family and will be praying for them.

Thank You and Godbless!

Grand Knight, Luke Audet





St. Leo the Great Council 9906

Brother Knights,

The calendar says it's Spring! The weather hasn't quite caught up but we can only hope. I pray that we all have a safe transition and we can all enjoy the outdoors without incident. I know I am anxious to get into the garden and start cleanup and pruning.

Our next meeting has been moved to the first of May due the third Thursday falling during Holy Week. Also, our breakfast will be the fourth of May and it will be our last breakfast until the Fall. Our meetings will still continue during the summer months. Please make every effort to attend our meetings and make your voice known. We value all input as Council 9906 moves into the future.

The registration and fees have been submitted for the upcoming annual convention on 4-6 April in Jamestown. Our delegates are confirmed as Grand Knight Rob Lowe and wife Sharon with the Jim Olson and wife Nancy as the second delegates.

I forgot to name our four new members from March. Please take time to congratulate Anthony and Randy Jundt, Jason Cox and Bram Johannsen when you get the opportunity. We are always proud to receive new young brothers into our council.



The Family of the month is the Mike Muhle family; wife Patricia and boys, Kael, Zane, Jordan and Lioness. The Muhle boys participate in the altar server program and are happy to serve with their father at our breakfasts to clean and reset tables.



The Knight of the month is Blaine Burckhard. Blaine is one of our best go to brothers whenever we have a function. He works all of our breakfasts and soup kitchens and never misses a meeting. He serves as Outside Guard officer at the meetings.

Our Financial Secretary is at wit's end trying to collect dues from some of our Brother Knights that are listed as active and actually paid dues last year. If you received a letter from Bob Richter, please rely by paying dues or let Bob know if you do not plan on staying an active member of our Council 9906.

Let us all keep our Families, Parishes, Churches, Country and the World in our prayers during these trying times and continue to pray for our brother Knights and their families. Also, please pray for Jerry Clark and family as he undergoes treatment for cancer. It is a very trying time for him, his family and for our Council.

Vivat Jesus!

Grand Knight Rob Lowe

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