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Grand Knight's March Message

Brother Knights:

Lent is well underway. Hopefully many of us will take this time to be one step closer to our Lord. As I hear often at church the scripture from Matthew 25: 35 "For I was hungry and you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me drink." He went on to say: "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me."

I see and hear often the work you brother Knights and your families continue to do for our parish and community. Keep spreading the gospel.

Just a friendly reminder about the Supreme membership incentive. Each sponsor of a new Knight until June 2018 will be automatically entered into a drawing to win an "ALL EXPENSE PAID" trip for the Knight and their spouse to "IRELAND" in August for the Family Council meeting. Your name can be entered more than once. Good luck. Let the luck of the Irish be with you all.

Thanks to everyone for all your help for a wonderful first fish fry. It gets bigger and better every year. See you at the next one.

May the strength of God
Pilot us.

May the wisdom of God
Instruct us.

May the hand of God
Protect us.

May the word of God
Direct us.

St. Patrick

Vivat Jesus, GK Mike

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Faith is not something to grasp, it is a state to grow into.

UPCOMING EVENTS

03/09 Fish Fry

03/18 Admissions Degree 4 pm; Candidates at 3:30

03/18 4th Deg Assembly Mtg - 5:00 pm

03/18 Council Mtg - Dinner 5:15 pm, Mtg 6:00 pm

04/14 Fourth Degree Exemplification - Diocesan Center - noon

04/28-29 Silent Auction

06/01 Ladies Appreciation Dinner

The first 5 days after the weekend are the hardest

Mens Retreat

Some fellow Knights and other parishioners are planning to attend a mens only retreat at a retreat house in St. Louis, MO, the weekend of April 12 thru 15. Car pools would leave OLOL around noon on the 12th returning early evening on the 15th. There is no cost although a free will offering is asked.

If you want to go or get more information, see Doug Blake 615-519-5629 or Michael Lewis 615-618-2325.

Fish Fry - Record Crowd

WOW!!! What a turnout. I wish I had a nickel for every time that was said at our recent Fish Fry. As hard as it is to believe, we think another record was set for attendance. Estimates of 1000 served was regarded as the most common count among the workers.

In the end though, it's not about the numbers as much as it is about the fellowship and good eating. The people were very complimentary of the quality of food that all the guys cooked.

The Fry committee can't express enough how thankful we are of the turnout of the Brotherhood to help with the Fry. A lot of hard work goes into the Frys and it is truly appreciated.

With that being said let's do it all again. Our next Fry is Friday, March 9. Details are the same. Do what you did at the last fry and show up at the same time as well. Any questions feel free to contact Randy Herron, Mike Murray, or Mike Rector.

Thanks for all you guys do and see you Friday! - Fry Daddy Mike

Atheism is a non-prophet organization.

Silent Auction

Chairman Dennis Conley announces this year's Silent Auction:

This years silent auction will be on Saturday and Sunday, April 28 and 29. We're on schedule to have another Big event this year in the St. Josephs hall.

Your part now is to collect donations from local merchants, friends and anywhere, any items we can auction off. ALL gift certificates are preferred but anything in NEW or LIKE NEW condition will be accepted.

Please call Jerry, Tom, Mike, Tim, Ed or myself and we can make arrangements to pick up .. OR just bring the items to the next Knights meeting.

The donation page is up on the Knights website so print some off today.

Thank you for all your help making this a tremendous success!

Dennis Conley 706-877-4040 Dconley5150@Gmail.com

My wife and I had words but I didn't get to use mine.

Patriotic Degree

For all 3rd degree knights who would like to progress to the 4th degree assembly, a Patriotic Degree will be held at the Diocesan Center on Briley Parkway on April 14 at noon.

If you are a third degree member and would like to advance to the fourth degree contact Tom at: thomasa615@yahoo.com or 615-653-2970.

Never miss a good chance to shut up. - Will Rogers

Second Motion in March

A second vote will be needed at the March meeting for up to \$2000 to cover expenses for the Seminarian dinner in May.

It doesn't take a very big person to carry a grudge.

We request that you delete this newsletter from your e-mail device within 30 days of reading it.

New Council Brothers

At the March meeting three new brothers joined our council, two receiving their Admissions Degree and one transferring in. The two receiving their Admission Degree were Gary Bradshaw and Kevin Cizmarik while the transferee was John Long, Jr.

Gary Bradshaw and his wife, Sherry, have been in middle TN for 5 years moving here from southern California. Gary is a Driver Manager at Anchor Bus Line Company. His email address is travlinwon@msn.com.

Kevin Cizmarik is longtime parishioner at OLOL and is the third Knight in his family to join our council following his father, Robert, and his brother, Ryan. He and his wife, Christina, have one child at home, a 2 1/2 year old son. Kevin works in sales at WESCO distribution. His email address is Kciz@aol.com.

John Long Jr. and his wife, Kim, live in Hermitage and he is transferring into our council from St. Stephens Council 9282. He is a Fourth Degree Knight and a longtime middle TN resident. John is a specialized OR nurse. He works for Bromidicon out of Philadelphia and travels to different hospitals. His email address is jlbigjohn@yahoo.com.



Photo by Wimmer

New Council Brothers: Transferee John Long and New Knight Gary Bradshaw



New Brother Kevin Cizmarik and Future Knight Maximus

How can a stranger tell if two people are married?

You might have to guess, based on whether they seem to be yelling at the same kids.

A Spiritual Message

From Matthew Kelly...."It's good to have a little mystery in your life. If everything could be known, understood, explained, and clearly proven, there would be no room for faith - which appears to be essential to God's plan for the world and humanity." Wise words indeed.

In the course of many bible studies, I'm always amused when a discussion suddenly takes a turn toward "prove it to me" or "where does it say that in the Bible". One of the more popular quotes is "that's a man made law".

If you give it some thought, what's wrong with not knowing all the answers? Why do we feel that everything has to be proven? Why do we have to have concrete proof of everything? Personally, I think there is great beauty and peace in not having all the answers. This is opposite of our cultures thinking that knowledge is power. As for me; I would just as soon not have the power.

Mr. Kelly's point is that when it comes to faith, we will never have all the answers. We could read the Bible and the Catechism of the Catholic Church every day and still have questions about a number of things regarding our faith. With all the answers, we just might become completely void of faith. We get some scriptural support for the idea of "ot having all the answers" at the end of Saint John's Gospel. JN 21: 25 "There are also many other things that Jesus did, but if these were to be described individually, I do not think the whole world would contain the books that would be written".

God Bless.

Free Throw Competition

Two of the Free Throw winners from OLOL, Ian Kirby and Lucy Manor, won their age groups at the regions at St. Rose of Lima and competed at the state level.

At the State level Lucy was the winner in her 10-year old division. To the right is Lucy with her dad, GK Mike



I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest.

Special Olympics

Gk Mike has appointed Steve (Doc) Bollig our coordinator with Special Olympics. Below is Docs write-up on SO and also at least one opportunity for interested Knights to get involved. ----

Our Special Olympics group is designated as Area 21 encompassing both Sumner and Trousdale Counties.

From the SO website: "The mission of Special Olympics is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community."

Special Olympics Tennessee is divided into 33 volunteer area offices. Athletes may begin training as early as six years old, but must be eight years old to compete.

Special Olympics Tennessee has six statewide events annually: Summer Games, Golf, Flag Football, Fall Classic, Winter Games and Basketball. Special Olympics, Inc. holds World Games every other year and USA National Games every four years. Events include: Alpine skiing, Aquatics, Athletics (Track and Field), Basketball, Bocce, Bowling, Equestrian, Flag Football, Golf, Horseshoes, Powerlifting, Roller Skating, Soccer, Softball, Snowboarding, Speed Skating, and Tennis.

Locally, we have Winter games at Ober Gatlinburg 1/28-30 with skiing and skating. Regional basketball is at Ensworth on March 3rd. This is followed by State basketball tourney at Lipscomb on March 9-10. The Music City Blitz is a flag football event at Nissan Stadium on 4/7.

On April 27 at Station Camp HS, there are track and field events drawn from the surrounding areas. This is put on by our group and really needs some help that day. If you can assist, please contact me. On May 18-19, State Games are at Lipscomb.

I will update our newsletter later for the second half of the year. All events are free and I'm sure you will enjoy the day seeing these athletes. Further info is obtainable at SpecialOlympics.org.

The first time I see a jogger smiling, I'll consider it. - Joan Rivers

Fraternal Benefits News WILL YOU BE READY?

Will you be ready to change occupations when you reach your company's mandatory retirement age? If you do not have an adequate monthly income at that time; there's a good chance that you will be working at low-paying, part time jobs just to maintain a decent standard of living.

Well over 50% of the people who retire need supplemental income because they find that their retirement benefits and company pension plans cannot keep up with inflation and ever-rising costs of living. And no one wants to drastically reduce their standard of living after they've spent their working years trying to raise it.

We want you to enjoy your retirement years in dignity. Let me help you plan to be comfortable. Call me today for an appointment. Please contact me by e-mail at jason.allman@kofc.org or by phone at 615-260-8589. I want to hear from you.

Vivat Jesus! Jason Allman

Highlights from the Feb. Meeting

The meeting was opened by GK Mike Manor at 4:00 pm.

An Admissions Degree ceremony followed with three candidates attaining their first degree: Gary Bradshaw, Kevin Cizmerek, and Mark Uhl (from St. John Vianney). After the ceremony dinner was enjoyed by all.

After dinner GK Mike reopened the meeting and he awarded the Knight of the Month to Barry Raynor and Family of the Month to the Dr. Steve Bollig family. He then called on Head Chef Randy Herron and the cooking crew to present the cooking crew red chef's jacket to Art Cacciotti. Art's family was present to see him don the chef's red jacket and become a full fledged member of the cooking crew.

We welcomed John Long as a transferee to our council.

The council welcomed GK Mike back and he told some of his interesting experiences from his Haiti mission trip.

GK Mike reminded the council members about the new member recruiting contest whereby any member who recruits a new member will receive one chance in a drawing for an all expense paid trip to Ireland for two. You can earn a chance for every new member that you recruit but, keep in mind we want quality Catholic Gentlemen to join our honored order.

Treasurer's report that we have \$17,000 + in our treasury.

Mike Rector made a motion that we spend \$385 to purchase another quarter year of the Living Faith booklet for the parish, passed.

GK Mike then explained about SEDA (Seminarian's Dinner and Auction) coming up on May 22 and the need for members of our council to help with all phases of this event and a motion was made to set aside \$2,000 for expenses for this event. The motion was passed on the first reading.

A motion for \$250 for our annual Easter Egg hunt passed.

Randy Herron and FRY-DADDY Mike Rector made a request for Knights to sign up to work at the next fish fry on February 23.

Mike Rector made a motion to increase the money needed for the Community Out-Reach program, seconded and passed.

Another Successful Fish Fry



The Servers - It takes More Than a Few Knights to Put on the Fish Fry

The Ladies Appreciation Dinner date was set for June 1 at the Nashville Nitelife Dinner Theater. All Knights are invited at a cost of \$25 and the ladies get in free. FN Tom Ashton was appointed chairman of the event. If you have not been to this event in the past, you are in for a real good fun time so, mark your calendar now and take your lady out to a swell dinner and fantastic entertaining night.

Jerry Holtman reported that the collection for persecuted Christians in the Middle East netted \$1020.

Doc Bollig talked about the need for more athletes to participate in the Special Olympics track and field events on April 27 and we also need more Knights to get involved.

GK Mike talked about putting on a Crawfish Boil Dinner in May for any Knight who may be interested in attending a council social event of this type for fun and fellowship. If you are interested, please let GK Mike know as soon as possible.

GK Mike reported on the St. Rose of Lima regional free throw contest and Ian Kirby Lucy Manor from our parish won in their age groups and will advance to the State finals.

Dennis Conley, Silent Auction Chairman, reported on the progress of the silent auction and the need for each Knight in the council to step up and secure at least three items to be auctioned off in the Council's Silent Auction event. Help is also needed the weekend of the event to help put it on. Outside of the Council Golf Tournament, the Silent Auction is one of our biggest fundraisers and we need all of the help we can get so you are asked to step up one more time. Guys encourage our new members to get involved and help out.

Our Fourth Degree Faithful Navigator Tom Ashton passed out information packets to third degree members regarding the next Patriotism Degree ceremony coming up on Saturday, April 14 at the Nashville Diocese Pastoral Center at 12 noon. If you are a third degree member and would like to advance to the fourth degree contact Tom at: thomasa615@yahoo.com or 615-653-2970. .

Dan Ratcliff was presented with a gold Ciborium engraved in honor of his wife, Sharon, who passed away several months ago and it in turn was presented to Father Eric to be used at mass.

Meeting closed at 6:55 PM

There was Quite a
Crowd - Those in Line
Circled Two-thirds
Around the Hall



A Group of Ladies, from Young to Very Young,
Await Their Food