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Grand Knight's Feb Message

Brother Knights:

Building the Domestic Church is a program instituted by our Supreme Council for the fraternal year of 2016-2017. We are already participating in some of the initiatives of this program like 5th Sunday Rosary and others and I am asking your families to participate in one more in February. On Thursday 2-16 and Thursday 2-23 at 7:00 PM we are hosting a family prayer program titled "Consecration to the Holy Family". This is a reverent prayer service that will take place in the Sanctuary and will be conducted by Deacon Mike Rector and consists of some hymns, Gospel readings and recitation of special prayers to the Holy Family. We hope to accomplish a strengthening of our families by following the example set by the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Please mark your calendars with these dates and encourage your family to attend the service and lead the way for our parishioners to follow.

March 1st is Ash Wednesday and I urge all of you to participate in the "40 cans for Lent" project to strengthen our Food Pantry inventory. Our participation in this project qualifies our council in the "Food for Families" program which gives us credits toward our council earning the Star Council Award. Bring your food contributions every week during Lent and deposit them in the Food Pantry box in the upper hallway next to the elevator. You always come through and participate in all of our projects and I am counting on all of you to come through once again.

We will be inducting new members at our February meeting on the 19th and I urge you to talk to a man that you know is not a Knight and urge him to join. I am hoping that we will have at least ten new members come into our council this month. We had five members advance to the Formation (2nd) degree in January and three of them also advanced to the Knighthood (3rd) degree as well.

Prepare yourselves for the Lenten season with prayer, sorrow for your sins and good works and look forward to celebrate Our Savior rising from the dead on that glorious day that we celebrate on Easter Sunday.

Vivat Jesus, Tom Ashton, GK ThomasA615@yahoo.com

It is better to walk alone than with a crowd in the wrong direction.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 02/19 4th Deg Assembly Mtg - 5:00 pm**
- 02/19 Council Mtg - Dinner 5:15 pm, Mtg 6:00 pm**
- 03/01 Ash Wednesday**
- 03/17 Fish Fry**
- 03/25 Postulate Dinner**
- 04/07 Fish Fry**

I don't make jokes. I just watch the government and report the facts. - Will Rogers

Yearly Dues

It is time to pay your dues and if you want your card mailed, send a sase with the dues check to John Bolger. Otherwise get the card at the Feb meeting.

Free Throw Championship Results

There were 28 youth who participated in our free throw championship conducted on Jan. 22. A large number of Knights helped co-chairs Jerry Holtman and Tim Kolp conduct this event.

All of our winners are going on to the regional playoffs on Feb. 12th at St. Rose of Lima parish.

The winners were:

<u>BOYS</u>		<u>GIRLS</u>	
Age 9	Jamie Gleason	Age 9	Maggie Gould
Age 10	Ryan Bertotti	Age 10	Cami Klein
Age 11	Conner Ballard	Age 11	Annie Gould
Age 12	Vaughn-Thomas Borum	Age 12	Lily MaGor
Age 13	Zakary Pearson	Age 13	Katelym O'Neil
Age 14	Cole Hargett	Age 14	N/A

Why were the Indians here first? They had reservations.

Fish Frys Back!!

They're back!!! After a two year hiatus due to the construction on the Parish grounds, the time is nearing for our annual KofC Lenten Fish Fry's.

Brother's, these are our council's biggest social events of the year. With crowds predicted to be in the neighborhood of 700-800 per date, we are going to need your help. The dates this year are Friday, March 17, and Friday, April 7. We usually ask volunteers to show up around 3 PM for food and equipment prep. This year we are adding two new automated fry machines in addition to the one in the new social hall. You may have seen the sign up sheets making the rounds at our last council meeting. We need to have at a minimum of 35-40 Knights to pull this off. Don't worry about what to do, we will find a spot for you to land in.

As one of the traditions of the fry's, in order to keep the cost down to our parishioners, many brother's have stepped up and donated a box of fish. The cost of this is around \$70. You don't have to go out and buy the fish, just give the money to a committee member.

Look for more information to come out soon. After a two year absence, and with many parishioners already asking about them, we are expecting huge crowds. So come on out and experience a wonderful time had by all. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Randy Herron or Mike Rector. God bless.

Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.

Super Bowl Party

Once again our annual KC Super Bowl party was a huge success. We had a nice crowd and who can complain about the excitement of the game. The food was great this year in particular, with many dishes and chili's to choose from. The committee would like to thank everyone who attended and who helped to set up and clean up afterwards. Many people mentioned they are already looking forward to next year. So until next year, brush up on your chili recipes.

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

Did You Know

- That last year the KofC provided \$1.4 million for the Special Olympics World Games?
- That a dime has 118 ridges around the edge?
- That last year 79,078 Knights volunteered 979,715 hours of service at 22,948 Special Olympics events?
- That a cat has 32 muscles in each ear?
- That KofC councils donated \$14,064,254 to Special Olympics and other programs for people with intellectual disabilities?
- That all 50 states are listed across the top of the Lincoln memorial on the back of the \$5 bill?

When you forgive, you heal. When you let go, you grow.

New Transferee

We added one new Brother at the Jan Meeting - a transferee - Francis Kovac, a 4th Degree Knight.

Francis is retired after a career that included managing transportation at two nuclear facilities, one being Oak Ridge. He and his wife, Carolyn, moved to Nashville in 1999 to be closer to family and he worked as Director of Traffic and Parking at Vanderbilt University until retirement.

Last October they decided to resettle to Hendersonville; a decision that Francis says was a good one as they find the people extremely friendly.

Once some technical issues are straightened out, Francis can be reached at FrancisHBT56@aol.com.

You cannot have a positive life and a negative mind.

Postulate Dinner

This year we are the host council for the District Postulants Dinner on Sat., March 25. We will need help for set up and take down. A motion for \$1,000 for the expenses for this event was passed on first reading at the Jan meeting. The second reading will be moved at the Feb. meeting.

Good friends make bad days a little more bearable.

Fraternal Benefits News

Since the Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882, part of its basic mission has been to protect the financial security of members and their families. In the early days, that meant providing a decent burial for Brother Knights and financial assistance to the widow and surviving children.

The Order's life insurance program - now with more than \$37 billion in force - as an outgrowth of that early system of support. Since then, economic circumstances have improved dramatically for most Catholic families. Prosperity, however, brings with it newer and often competing demands on family finances. Financial planning gets more complicated and often difficult.

Today, there are approximately 1,200 Knights of Columbus field agents serving members and their families in the United States and Canada. At the core of their service is the family financial needs analysis. This is an at-home interview, with both husband and wife present. During the meeting the agent looks at family income, savings, debts, life insurance in force and future financial goals.

Reviewing a family's financial situation is often therapeutic, and it can lead to some interesting and helpful conclusions. The K of C field agent will formulate some recommendations based on the family's needs and budget.

Participation in the Order's insurance program is strictly voluntary but may be critical to your family's future. For more information, 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



New Third Degree Knights with GK Tom: l-r Tyler Ittel, GK Tom Ashton, Jerry Taylor, and Mike Schrampf

A Spiritual Message

In just a few short weeks we will enter the Liturgical season of Lent. This is a time to deepen our prayer lives as well as "giving up" something that we enjoy. We are also called to a deeper reflection of almsgiving and penitence.

Lent can also be a time for us to "spring clean" all the dirt and sin from our lives. It gives us roughly six weeks to ponder the passion and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Personally, I have always looked forward to Lent each year. It's a time to re-center, really, all that is most important to me. With all the things surrounding us in our busy lives, it often can serve as an period of sacrifice, prayer and contemplation.

Make it a priority this Lent to get to know Jesus better. I'm sure you'll be glad you did. God bless.

I stayed up all night to see where the sun went, and then it dawned on me.



Mark Gierla and his wife, Christine, represented our council at the March for Life in Washington, DC

Highlights from the Jan Meeting

Family/Knight of the Month awards were presented by DGK

Mike Manor: Knight for Nov to Gary Baum, Knight for Dec to Glen Word, Family for Dec to Don and Kathy Ellis (not present)

New transferee Francis Kovac was introduced

Grand Knight Report: To borrow some of Father Thomas' humor about the New year;" I woke up on New Year's Day in the same old bed, in the same old room, in the same old house, in the same old town, and I got into the same old car and I drove to the same old job and the only thing that was new was the calendar which reminded me that I would be another year older!!! I look at the new year as a new beginning, as a time to start anew to make new promises which we call Resolutions which we have every good intention to keep but, as the new year gets older many are started but never finished or forgotten altogether." As Knights let us resolve to make our council better in 2017 and I might suggest the following resolutions as some that we might adopt: 1. Become more involved in charitable activities or become more charitable in our daily lives, 2. Ask a parish man to become a better Catholic by becoming a Knight, 3. Participate in more council activities and fundraising projects by spending at least ten hours of your time each month, 4. Attend at least six regular meetings per year, 5. Advance at least one degree and if you are a fourth degree Knight get regalia and participate in Assembly Honor Guards, 6. Be an inspiration and a mentor to a new Knight make them feel included.

If you only adopt one of these resolutions or all of them with a firm purpose to keep them, you will have done something to make our Council better in 2017. And so, Knights, on behalf of the council officers and myself, we wish you a HAPPY, HEALTHY, AND PROSPEROUS better new year! Vivat Jesus

Reading of Communications: Fraternus thanked the Knights for \$1000 donation. Fr. Thomas:: - Thank you for the Christmas gift and all you do as Knights. Fr. Eric: Thank you for all the fine work the Knights do!!

Treasurers Report : Tom Buckett reported a bank balance of \$17,061

OLD BUSINESS:

Keep Christ in Christmas sales report - Glen Word - \$450.

Christmas Party report - Dave Eliskovich - 175 people attended. Great event

Cheesecake sales report - TA - \$1192.32 profit.

Needed baby items for CCPC - TA - Donated 3 large boxes in the neighborhood of 300 pounds.

Christmas gifts for the priests and seminarian need motions for \$500 and \$50 - Both approved.

Formation ceremony team financial support - Need \$640 dollars - Ed Corbitt

Fraternal service hour reports due to Jerry Holtman by 1/20. Go to web site KFC-9132.org

Wish Mark Gierla bon voyage as he goes to DC for the March For Life.

Special Olympics financial support - Doc Bollig - requesting \$500 for event. Approved.

Marriage vow report - Deacon Mike Rector.

John Bolger - Dues due ASAP!

NEW BUSINESS:

Free throw Contest - Tim Kolp or Jerry Holtman - 12 Knights offered to assist.

Family Consecration Program - Special Church Ceremony. Will meet on 17 Jan with Fr. Eric to determine the date.

Super Bowl Party, Sunday, Feb. 5th - Bring a dish to pass. Chili cook off at half time. And silent auction. \$500 for drinks approved.

Our annual "Silent Auction" will be on May 5th, 6th and 7th. Dennis Conley chairman will need help.

We are on a good track to attain the Star Council Award which will

Bishop Joseph Durick Assembly #2389 News Minutes of Jan Meeting

Meeting was opened by FN Mark Gierla at 5:05 pm

FC Announced new members of the Assembly and that their name badges are ready.

FP announced that the account total is \$7,856.72

No unfinished business.

Tom Ashton, GK of Council 9132; made an announcement that there will an email coming out as to two 2nd degree exemplifications coming up and one 3rd Degree as well.

After Good of the Order and Prayers, the meeting adjourned.

benefit our council financially by \$4.50 per dues paying member so please pay your dues. John Bolger - lets get it done!!

There is a new member recruitment program for the first quarter period of 2017. If we recruit 6 new members during the quarter which ends on March 31st, the Council will receive a Domestic Church kiosk and booklets set. Recruiters will receive a stainless steel coffee mug and 1500 VIP points for Knights gear for each new member.

Date of the Ladies Appreciation Dinner will be Friday, June 2nd and Tony Gosse will be the chairman, pending availability of Nashville Night Life Theater.

We are the host council for the District Deputy (Postulants) dinner on Sat., March 25th We will need help for set up and take down. Ed Corbitt made a motion for \$1000 to cover costs. Approved on first reading.

We will have a First Degree ceremony at the Feb. 19th meeting.

We will try to get a Parish Softball team fielded for this year and will financially support it with tee shirt uniforms; A committee of Mike Rector, Tony Domning, Mike Manor and Tim Kolp was formed.

Council to sponsor a Hendersonville Little League team. Fran Varboncouer made a motion for \$500. Passed

We will participate in the Food for Families initiative with the 40 cans for Lent program from 3/1 to 4/9 to benefit our food pantry

Fish Fry - Deacon Mike - please sign up to help. We expect 800 people to attend.

Casino Night - St. Pius X is hosting a casino night on Feb 25th at 6 to 9:30. Tickets are \$100 dollars and you get \$10,000 dollars of chips, food, drink, change to win \$500. Proceeds go to Catholic education at the church. Grand Knight will provide \$100 from discretionary fund for school.

Other Reports:

Report on the Citizen (4th) Degree - Mark Gierla - Fourth Degree in March

Field Agent's report - Jason Allman. April 28th golf tournament with profit going to seminarian fund.

District Deputy's report - Ed Corbitt - Request for donations for a Brother Knight who died. Asking for council for money. Will pass the hat in Feb. There are two second degree opportunities in Jan. Also a third degree. See GK or Ed Corbitt for further details.

TEACHER: Winnie, name one important thing we have today that we didn't have ten years ago.

WINNIE: Me!

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!"

His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you 'know' what the Bible means?"

The son replied, "I do know!"

"Okay," said his father. "What does the Bible mean?"

"That's easy, Daddy...", the young boy replied excitedly, "It stands for 'Basic Information Before Leaving Earth.'"