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Grand Knight's March Message

Brother Knights:

I hope this message finds you and your families doing well.

Rain, rain, snow, cold, wind! Will it ever end? Hopefully by the time you get this message, we may be heading towards warmer weather and Spring time!

As we come toward the end of Lent and approach Easter Sunday, I am reminded of what Our Good Lord endured to give us all New Life! We all know that Lent is a time of reflection and for some, a time of sacrifice to remind us of what Christ sacrificed for us. However, I believe it was our Brother Knight Deacon Carr that said at mass recently, that Lent is truly a time to look at what we can do to help those in need. That's what being a Knight of Columbus. Charity is one of our founding virtues. It's the first one we learn and for all of us, one that we all practice every day.

I would encourage those of you that are seeking a way to help others through your time and talents to consider becoming a more involved Brother in your Council if you haven't been around in a while. Those of you active in the Council know already of the fellowship we share amongst each other and the fun we have working side by side in the activities of the Council. Whether it be a fund raising event such as the Silent Auction coming up April 9th & 10th to fund our charitable giving events or a youth event such as the Free Throw Contest, or helping a physically challenged member of the parish move from one apartment to another apartment as some of you did in January, you demonstrate clearly to yourself and others what it means to have a giving and caring heart. I truly believe Our Lord is blessing each and every one of you abundantly for your gifts of good works. If you're already doing your part to participate freely in these activities, I thank you. For those of you not quite there yet, let me encourage you to come around real soon. We miss seeing you!

Our next Council Meeting is on Palm Sunday March 20th beginning with the "increasingly every popular" social hour starting at 6pm. Brother Bob Gillespie, assisted by your Social Committee Co-Chairmen Mike Rector and Dan Kula will exceed your culinary expectations and may even provide a surprise event that evening? You won't want to miss out on the fun. We will be discussing our progress on the Silent Auction as it is about 6 weeks away at the writing of this message. We REALLY NEED more help from more of you to help make this year's event a success. Can you spare some time to lend a hand? Please let me know if you can and I will get you in touch with the right brother that is heading the letter writing or e-mail campaign or with the solicitation from local business merchants. We need more help and if you can spare some time, it would be greatly appreciated!

Hope to see more of you coming around real soon!

All the best to you and your family this Lenten and Easter Season!

In His and Your Service, Joe

"Well, young man, you've asked permission to marry my daughter," said the fastidious father. "Can you support a family?"

"No, sir, I can't," the would-be groom replied. "I was only planning to support your daughter. The rest of you will have to get along the best you can."

UPCOMING EVENTS

03/13 Regional Free Throw 1:30pm St. Edwards

03/17 St. Patrick's Day

03/20 4th Deg Assembly - 5 PM

03/20 Monthly Council Mtg

Social hour 6 pm, Mtg 7 pm - Upstairs

04/09-10 Silent Auction

The Catholic Church "is the only thing which saves a man from the degrading slavery of being a child of his age." - G.K. Chesterton

District Free Throw Competition

Six Council 9132 Youth Advance to Regionals

At the District Free Throw competition held Feb 13 at St. Ann's, six of the ten youth from the Council 9132 tournament won their division and advanced to the Regional Tournament. The Regionals will be held on Sunday, March 13, at 1:30 pm at St. Edward's.

District winners from our Council Competition were:

Brad McClung	Boys Age 10
*Sarah Galvin	Girls Age 10
*Katie Odell	Girls Age 11
Heather Hughes	Girls Age 12
*Brittini Endsley	Girls Age 13
Ellyn Unger	Girls Age 14

* Indicates child or grandchild of a Brother Knight!

See pictures on page 3.

When I was pushing fifty, I decided that that in itself was exercise enough.

Silent Auction Help Needed

The Silent Auction team needs your help in soliciting businesses for donations to the Silent Auction which will be held on April 9&10.

If you can help, Doug Blake has an introduction letter you can use. If you don't already have a copy, contact Doug to get one at 519-5629 or blakedoug@aol.com. Donations are tax-deductible and a thank you letter will be sent to anyone who donates.

Why is it that when we talk to God we are said to be praying but when God talks back to us we are said to be schizophrenic?

Council 9132 Web Site

Joe Wall who is the webmaster for our Council 9132 web site is considering adding a "memorial" page to the site.

The page include a picture of the Brother from Council 9132, with their birth date, the date they passed away, their degree and a small paragraph about them. We could also include wives and children that have passed away on this page as well. Somber music could also be included.

Joe would like your thoughts on this (e-mail him at JoeWall1@Comcast.net)

Ever stop to think and then forget to start again?

Highlights from the Feb Meeting

There were 42 Knights in attendance.

A 1st degree exemplification was held with: Bill Maier and Bobby Ballard becoming Brothers in the Council. Bill works on diagnostic machines, and Bobby is a med student at Meharry college.

The meeting was turned over to Deputy GK Dave Eliskovich to run.

John Bolger reported that we paid out \$375.60 for the free throw shirts. The Treasurer reported that: as of the end of December 2004, we had \$10,152 in the bank.

Steve Mantegani advised that we had 27 youths for the free throw contest. Ten participants went on to district and 6 are going to regional; the location of which is yet to be determined. (St Edwards)

Bill Grist passed out a preliminary budget for all to see where the moneys are distributed.

Ed Corbitt reported on the Titans. The booth we share earned \$21,989 of which \$11,970 went to the council.

Joe Staub said we need more participation in the silent auction. Dan Kula will hit the local restaurants, and Jon Hoscheit is looking at the casinos in Vegas. The auction will be the weekend of April 9-10th.

Council gave a check for \$1,637 that was collected for the Tootsie Roll drive to the Sumner Regional Housing. The MR foundation matches our gift.

Bruce Janson: the next 4th Degree Exemplification will be at St. Ann's in Nashville. Attendees will probably be, Dave Eliskovich, Terry Vollmer, Bert Brahney, Doug Blake, and Joe Wall.

Donald Ey found a seminary in New Jersey that we might support. We are pursuing this option.

District Deputy, Mike Rector, advised that a 2nd degree will be held Feb 21 at the Donelson K of C.

Donald Ey reported the program Kids for Kids needs some volunteers to help with mapping in English. Please call Fred Bailey at 615 230-5702 if you would like to assist.

Motion was made to help fund fellow Knight Jim Galvin on his journey to assist with the health problems in our sister parish in Haiti. Motion passed for \$300.

The 2005 State Convention will be held in Kingsport, Tn. The Grand Knight and past 2 year Grand Knights are possible participants. Most of the cost will be incurred by the council. This will look to be put into the bylaws.

Steve Mantegani advised that we would probably need \$300 for the Easter egg hunt. Motion made and passed.

Larry Phillips has bumper stickers that state...ONE Nation Under God....In case you are not aware, there was a resolution in the US Congress to take this out of the Pledge of Allegiance. Let's pray that it fails.

Mike Rector is looking into getting an autodialer.

The 50/50 drawing of \$33 was won by Larry Phillips.

Bob Schmiddle's number was drawn for the Feb jackpot. He **NOT** being present, next month's jackpot will be \$58.

Two bachelors were talking, and the subject of cooking came up. "I got a cookbook once," the first bachelor confessed, "but I never could do anything with it."

"Were the instructions too difficult?" asked the other.

"You said it. Every one of the recipes started the same way: 'In a clean bowl...'"

A grandmother was surprised by her 7 year old grandson one morning. He had made her coffee. She drank what was the worst cup of coffee in her life. When she got to the bottom, there were three of those little green army men in the cup.

She said, "Honey, what are these army men doing in my coffee?"

Her grandson said, "Grandma, it says on TV, 'The best part of waking up is soldiers in your cup!'"

Did You Know

That the KofC is responsible for the creation of the new Villa Maria Guadalupe pro-life retreat center in Stamford, CN?

That robins become drunk after eating holly berries and often fall off power lines?

That the Sisters of Life will operate the Villa center and will provide a place where women in crisis pregnancies will be welcomed?

That a woodpecker's beak moves at a speed of up to 100 mph?

That the Villa center will hold days of recollection and retreats where those on the front lines of the pro-life movement can "be renewed and refreshed"?

That by using air currents an albatross can fly up to 87,000 miles on a single feeding trip without ever touching down?

For the man who has everything, there is now a calendar to remind him when the payments are due.

Fraternal Benefits News Tax-Deferred Annuities

Expecting a tax refund? Even if you're not, you certainly don't want to pay more in taxes than you have to. Yet, that's what you can expect if you have savings that aren't in a tax-deferred account. Examples include bank savings accounts and certificates of deposit.

I can help you to find a good place to put your income-tax refund. The Knights of Columbus offers a highly competitive tax-deferred annuity. You don't pay income tax on the earnings until you withdraw them - which most likely will occur after you retire. And these tax-deferred earnings compound at a faster rate than money saved in a taxable account.

You can make one payment and select the age at which you begin receiving benefits. Or, make periodic payments of as much as you want for as long as you want. Either way, an annuity with the Knights can provide you with a retirement income you can't outlive.

In a financial world characterized by uncertainty, a Knights of Columbus tax-deferred annuity gives you peace of mind. Your principal is guaranteed, and so is a minimum return. What other kinds of investment vehicles give you those guarantees?

I can provide you with a customized illustration of how an annuity would work for you. Please contact me by e-mail at john.stice@KOFc.org or by phone at 205-338-0349.

Vivat Jesus! John Stice

"There are no uneducated people. Everybody ... is educated; only most people are educated wrong." - G.K. Chesterton

New Brothers

Two new Brothers, Wilhelm (Bill) Maier and Bobby Ballard received their First Degree at the Feb Council meeting.

Bobby Ballard is a med student at Meharry college.

Bill Maier and his wife, Michele, and their two teenage sons moved here this past October from a suburb of New York city. Bill is a Technical Service Manager for Bayer Corp. His e-mail address is bmcma732a@BellSouth.net

The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting; it has been found difficult and left untried." - G.K. Chesterton

E-Mail Changes

Dave Eliskovich has a new e-mail address. He is now at delisko@bellsouth.net.

Bill King also is at a new address. Reach him at wking@netscape.com.

My reality check just bounced.



Council 9132 Winners



Almost



District Deputy Mike Rector and Many Others Enjoyed the Competition

District Free Throw Competition

Church Bulletin Bloopers

The eighth graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the church basement on Friday at 7 p.m. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy

The concert held in Fellowship Hall was a great success. Special thanks are due to the minister's daughter, who labored the whole evening at the piano, which as usual fell upon her.

On a church bulletin during the minister's illness: GOD IS GOOD. Dr. Hargreaves is better.

The choir invites any member of the congregation who enjoys sinning to join the choir.

The outreach committee has enlisted 25 visitors to make calls on people who are not afflicted with any church.

The Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.

The Pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday morning.

Due to the Rector's illness, Wednesday's healing services will be discontinued until further notice.