



# Knights' Line



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Hendersonville Council # 9132

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### Grand Knight's Dec Message

Brother Knights:

Hope all of you had a great Thanksgiving with families. I was very happy to see that many of the Brothers have purchased Knights golf shirts from Brother Doug. With the wearing of badges and new golf shirts, the Knights will get great exposure and show a well rounded Brotherhood. Brother Doug is also in the process of making our Knights badges for us.

Once again, had a great turnout at the Nov meeting. Appreciate all Brothers coming and making the meeting an enthusiastic one. I would ask that you Brothers who were appointed sponsors of new Brothers, who have recently joined, to get them on board in meetings and committee meetings.

Brother Greg is well on his way with the Dec 17th Christmas Party. We have talked many times and he has all committees in place. Ask that all Brothers, wives, and children attend the party. Also, ask a prospective member and his family to attend. Santa, gifts and great food as well as good times will be had by all.

As you stand in the Narthex after Mass and see a young man you do not recognize, please approach him and let him know about the Knights. Also, Brother Bob will be setting up another membership table in the next couple of weeks. Request Brothers contact Bob and assist at the table.

Next Officer Mtg, is Dec 13; Regular Mtg, Dec 18.

Vivat Jesus, Dave Eliskovich, GK

Q: Why is Christmas just like a day at the office?

A: You do all the work and the fat guy with the suit gets all the credit.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 12/17 Christmas Party - 6:30 PM**
- 12/18 4th Deg Assembly - 5:00 PM**
- 12/18 Monthly Council Mtg - Social Hr 6pm, Mtg 7pm**
- 01/xx Youth Free Throw Contest**
- 02/05 Super Bowl Party**
- 03/04 Fourth Degree - OLOL**

### VIP Club

Did you know that everyone who proposes two new members to our Brotherhood is automatically entered into the VIP Club and will receive a signed certificate from Supreme and an VIP Club label pin.

Recruitment of further Brothers will earn the recruiting Brother further pins recognizing his accomplishments.

Become motivated, recruit new Brothers and join the VIP Club.

Do you know what would have happened

If it had been Three Wise Women

Instead of Three Wise Men?

They would have asked directions, arrived on time, helped deliver the baby, cleaned the stable, made a casserole, brought practical gifts and

There would be Peace on Earth.



"JESUS IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON!"

### Highlights from the Nov. Meeting

There were 44 Knights in attendance.

GK Dave read a letter from the State Deputy inviting Knights to the midyear meeting and asking that we try to get more Knights out for the advanced degrees. He also asked each Council to form a 1st Degree team and he would like to have a competition between those teams.

The new book "Pillar of Fire" designed to provide youth with information to defend the faith was discussed. It will be passed on to Sr. Maria.

GK Dave read thank you notes for our contribution to the boxes for the soldiers and for our help with the youth pancake breakfast.

Fran Varboncoeur read thank you notes from the two seminarians that we are helping this year.

Bob Schmidle announced that there will be a special recruiting effort the weekend of Dec. 10/11.

District Deputy Mike announced that there will be a 2nd Degree in January and a 3rd Degree in February, More details to follow.

Richard Smith asked for some help from the Council on setting up for the 4th Degree in March. 15 Brothers will be needed.

Paul Zola reported that the Super Bowl party committee is in need of a place to hold the party. Need to be able to accommodate 100.

GK Dave announced that the Christmas Party will be held Dec 17th. Greg Miles volunteered to chair and several Brothers volunteered to help.

Motion made and passed to provide up to \$250 for the Christmas Party.

Jerry Tachoir asked for more Knights to consider becoming ministers of the Mass. See Jerry or Bill Grist.

John Bolger made a motion for the Council to provide \$1,000 to Sumner Special Housing for their needs on the residences. Passed.

John Bolger reported that the Tootsie Roll drive brought in \$4,859 which will result in about \$4,500 after expenses. More than \$1,000 more than last year.

Larry Phillips was honored as Knight of the Month for his work with the BRASS project and Dick and Nancy Emery received the Family of the Month award for their work on the Parish Octoberfest.

The 50/50 drawing for \$32 was won by Bill Degnan.

**Rick Alexander's** number was drawn for the Nov. jackpot. He being present, next month's jackpot will be \$32.

I signed up for an exercise class and was told to wear loose-fitting clothing. If I had any loose-fitting clothing, I wouldn't have signed up in the first place!

Joy is very infectious; therefore, be always full of joy. - Mother Teresa

You are the only person on this earth who can use your ability.

### Meeting Upstairs

Since Room In the Inn Uses the Social Hall on Sundays,  
The KofC monthly meeting is now held in an upstairs Classroom

### Location for Super Bowl Party Needed

Do you know of a hall that our Council can use for the annual Super Bowl party?

Want one where we can bring our own party goods.

If you have an idea, send a note to Paul Zola at [Zoldoorguy@comcast.net](mailto:Zoldoorguy@comcast.net) or call 822-8016

### Did You Know

That the KofC has \$55 billion of insurance in force?

That the 12 days of Christmas begin on Christmas Day and end on Jan 5, the eve of the traditional date of the Epiphany?

That for the 13th consecutive year, Standard and Poor's has given the KofC its highest rating, AAA?

That tradition holds that the names of the three Kings were Gaspar, Melchior and Balthasar?

That for the 30th year in a row, the KofC has earned the A++ (Superior) rating from A.M. Best?

That the average American takes 6 months to pay off the holiday credit-card bills?

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"When you come to the edge of all the light you know, and are about to step off into the darkness of the unknown, FAITH is knowing one of two things will happen: There will be something solid to stand on or you will be taught how to fly." --Barbara J. Winter

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### Fraternal Benefits News A Season for Giving

Now that the holidays are approaching, this is a good time to sit down with a Knights of Columbus agent and discuss your family's current financial circumstances - and your future plans. Life insurance is truly one of the best gifts a member can buy for his family. Think about it: What else can you put under the Christmas tree that can:

- Guarantee that the mortgage on your home would be paid off if you die?
- Provide a way for you to ensure money is available for your children to attend college, whether you live or die?

Ensure your family's financial survival if you, your spouse, or both of you met an untimely death? You probably know plenty of folks who overspend during the holiday season. Conversely, few people oversave, and plenty of folks are financially unprepared for the future. Yet, it's by doing the latter that people demonstrate true love for their spouses and children!

Start early on some new resolutions for the new year. Save more. Allocate expenditures more wisely. Above all, ensure your family's financial protection - come what may. With a K of C life insurance program, your family will have the benefit of financial security for the years ahead... and be better able to celebrate future Christmases.

Financial hardship is something that you can prevent. By taking steps now, you protect your loved ones against the possibility of your death. What's more, the sooner you act, the greater the benefits will be for your family - and, possibly, for you as well. I wish you and yours a blessed Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

If you have any questions, please contact me by e-mail at [Sullivas@realtracs.com](mailto:Sullivas@realtracs.com) or by phone at 516-9358.

Vivat Jesus! Stephen Sullivan

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### Christmas Party - Dec 17, 6:30 Santa to Visit

The annual Christmas Party for Knights and their families will be held after the Saturday night Mass on Dec. 17, in the OLOL Social Hall. All Knights and their families are invited and a special invitation is extended to all prospective members and their families.

We plan to have a visit from Santa (Jonathan Corbitt) who is taking time off from supervising his toy-making elves to make an appearance. He will present gifts to all the children.

Attendees are asked to bring a covered dish. The Council will supply the meat and drinks.

Chairman Greg Miles and his committee of Ed Corbitt, Bill Degnan, Darrell Jones and Joe Staub have a great evening planned and hope all Brothers will come and bring their families.

if you plan to come, please e-mail or call Bill Degnan ([Bdegnan@fwltech-usa.com](mailto:Bdegnan@fwltech-usa.com) or 429-8959) or Greg Miles ([beeman59@bellsouth.net](mailto:beeman59@bellsouth.net) or 824-7881). Please specify how many in your family will be there.

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### Bishop Joseph Durrick Assembly # 2389 News

#### General

The Bishop Joseph Durrick Assembly # 2389 met at our new time, 5 PM, with excellence attendance.

#### Assembly

The Assembly voted to send one hundred-fifty dollars (\$150) to the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, Bienville Province Tennessee District. The money is to be used to help purchase visual aids for the Middle Tennessee 4th Degree Team of Brothers.

Ed Corbitt reported that the "Shirts for the Parish" was off and running. He and his team of Brothers have been selling shirts in the Narthex this month. Sales have been good. If you have waited until the last minute to purchase shirts for Christmas check with Brother Corbitt. Our sale ends December 4th.

#### Announcements

"Go for the Fourth" project is in full swing. Planning is ongoing for the Bishop Joseph Durrick Assembly # 2389 to host a 4th Degree Exemplification on March 4, 2006. We plan to honor Father David Choby under the Direction of District Master John King at Our Lady of the Lake Parish. The first event will start at 12 noon.

All Brothers are encouraged to discuss the upcoming 4th Degree with the Third Degree Brothers of our council. If you have any questions about being a 4th Degree member, please contact our Assembly Recruiters: Carl Strasse, Dan Kula, Paul Zola, Richard Smith, or Joe Wall.

## MR (Tootsie Roll) Drive

This year's Tootsie Roll drive was a big success as we received a net of \$4,514, a 39% increase over the total last year. Not only was the intake a success but we had a record number of Brothers helping out which allowed some shorter shifts and also increased the number of collectors on the streets.

All of this money stays in Sumner County to help operate our homes for the mentally challenged in Sumner County.

Congratulations go to John Bolger for another fine job chairing this activity. If you didn't help this year, make a note to do so next year. It's a fun time and a good way to put our Charity into action.

With Help Like This How Could We Go Wrong?



MR Foundation Drive Workers Brothers Paul Zola, Mike Bertotti, John Bolger (chairman), and Joe Staub Are Ready to Go



Visiting Brother Jim Manning and Brothers Bill Grist, Paul Zola and Jerry Tachoir Arrive to Work the Imperial Drive Corner.

I made myself a snowball,  
As perfect as could be,  
I thought I'd keep it as a pet,  
And let it sleep with me.  
I made it some pajamas,  
And a pillow for its head,  
Then last night it ran away,  
But first-- it wet the bed.



## A SPECIAL INVITATION TO A CHRISTMAS PARTY-----

You are cordially invited to

A BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION!!!

Guest of Honor: Jesus Christ

Date: Every day. Traditionally, December 25 but He's always around, so the date is flexible....

Time: Whenever you're ready. (Please don't be late, though, or you'll miss out on all the fun!)

Place: In your heart.... He'll meet you there. (You'll hear Him knock.)

Attire: Come as you are... grubbies are okay. He'll be washing our clothes anyway. He said something about new white robes and crowns for everyone who stays till the last.

Tickets: Admission is free. He's already paid for everyone... (He says you wouldn't have been able to afford it anyway...it cost Him everything He had.) But you do need to accept the ticket!!

Refreshments: New wine, bread, and a far-out drink He calls "Living Water", followed by a supper that promises to be out of this world!

Gift Suggestions: Your life. He's one of those people who already has everything else. (He's very generous in return though. Just wait until you see what He has for you!)

Entertainment: Joy, Peace, Truth, Light, Life, Love, Real Happiness, Communion with God, Forgiveness, Miracles, Healing, Power, Eternity in Paradise, Contentment, and much more!  
(All "G" rated, so bring your family and friends.)

R.S.V.P. Very Important!

He must know ahead so He can reserve a spot for you at the table.

Also, He's keeping a list of His friends for future reference. He calls it the "Lamb's Book of Life."

Party being given by His Kids (that's us!!)  
Hope to see you there! For those of you whom I will see at the party, share this with someone today!