



# Knights' Line

## Knights of Columbus

Hendersonville Council # 9132

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### Grand Knight's December Message

Oh Holy Knights,

Remember that Christmas when you really wanted something special, and you were uncomfortable about that "Have you been good this year?" question? Well, don't worry about it this year. You guys have been great.

Looking over the events of this past year I am continuously reminded of all of the gifts of time and talents that you all have given, so unselfishly. We have shared some very meaningful times and have been able to do some wonderful works of charity, while reaching out to welcome new friends to our group. Our most recent new brothers are Tim Lynch and Mike Clavin. Welcome, fellas.

I want to thank everyone who helped our council host an excellent third degree exemplification, and congratulate those who have completed the journey to full knighthood. Mike Murray, Jeff Yelle, Darrell Jones, Clint Taylor, Mark Pence, Buster Hand, Dan Bernier, and Bill Maier.

We have helped to give the gift of housing to those in need through the Sumner Special Housing donations, given in honor of Carlton Russell, provided Thanksgiving dinners for families that would have gone without, gifts for children in need through the Angel Tree, and helped several families offset food expenses during the Christmas season.

Our Keep Christ In Christmas message has reached out to the community to remind everyone of that *greatest gift of all*, that we did not deserve, but still received, so long ago. The true meaning of the season is alive in each one of us and can be seen all year long.

I would like to thank you for this, and wish each and everyone of you a Very Merry Christmas.

By the way, don't forget to look for your Christmas present.

*It will be in the face of a Child.*

In His service, and yours, Doug Blake, Grand Knight

An exasperated mom, whose son was always getting into mischief, asked him how he expected to get into heaven. The boy thought it over and said, "Well, I'll just run in and out, slamming the door over and over until St. Peter finally says, 'For heaven's sake, Jimmy, either come in or stay out!'"

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 12/16 Children's Christmas Party**
- 12/17 Titan's home game (help needed for parking)**
- 12/25 Christmas**
- 12/31 Titan's home game (help needed for parking)**
- 01/xx Youth Free Throw Contest**
- 01/21 4th Deg Assembly - 5:00 pm**
- 01/21 Monthly Mtg - Social Hr 6 pm, Mtg 6:30 pm**
- 02/04 Super Bowl Party - Glen Oaks Clubhouse**

### NO REGULAR MEETING IN DECEMBER

The regular meeting on Dec. 17 has been canceled. Any business needed to be done will be taken up at 6:30 pm prior to the Christmas party on Saturday, Dec. 16

### Keep Christ in Christmas Big Success

Chairman Mitch Parochka reports that the sale of "Keep Christ in Christmas" car magnets has gone very well. So well, in fact, that he has had to order a third box of the magnets. He expects the total net to be about \$2,000. Not bad for a venture that has a valuable second function - reminding people that Christmas is about Christ.

Thanks to Mitch for his foresight and determination in spearheading this project.



Mitch Parochka and helper (?) keeping Christ in Christmas

### Christmas Party - Dec 16

The annual Knights Christmas party will be held on Saturday, Dec. 16, at 7pm in the OLOL social hall. All knights and their families are invited.

it is rumored that Santa will make an appearance if his busy toy-making schedule will allow (I'm sure it will) and he will have presents for all the children.

Each family is asked to bring a dish to pass. The dinner meat and drinks will be furnished.

Prospective knights and families are also invited so if you know someone that you think is a potential knight, please invite them.

### More Help Needed for Parking

Even though we have had a good response to our fundraising effort of parking cars at Titan's football home games, we can do better.

Even though we have raised over \$1,800 thus far in this endeavor, we can do better.

More brothers participating are needed

If you are able to help park cars at either of the remaining Titan's home football games scheduled for Dec. 17, or Dec. 31, please contact our Titan's football parking coordinator, Mitch Parochka, at 264-1167 (home) or 506-1358 (cell). You can also e-mail him at [mitchnorda@bellsouth.net](mailto:mitchnorda@bellsouth.net).

## Highlights from the November Meeting

There were 38 Knights in attendance.

GK Doug announced that the December meeting will not be held on Sunday the 17th and that any business needing to be done will be taken care of before the Christmas party on Saturday the 16th.

GK Doug introduced Carlton Russell's daughter, Christe, to the meeting.

GK Doug reported that 29 Brothers received their 3rd degree at the exemplification held the day before at OLOL.

A plea went out for Room in the Inn innkeepers.

Larry Phillips was named Knight of the Month for his work on BRASS and the Craig Gonsewski family were named Family of the Month for their efforts serving the meal at the Nov. meeting.

Ground hog award to Danny Bertotti (new award)

Treasurers report showed \$9673.61.

The Halloween candy sale netted the Council \$381.

Final results from the Brass ride showed we netted \$1852.

To date we have raised \$1877 total from the Central parking work at the Titans games; \$1408 for the Council and \$469 for the Assembly. More volunteers are needed.

The MR Foundation Tootsie roll drive netted \$4142.

Reports of committees:

Fundraising: the "Keep Christ in Christmas" program proceeds are at \$1250 as of now

Youth report: 9 kids showed up for the soccer challenge. Hope to get more next year.

Unfinished business: motion made and passed to donate \$500 to Sumner Special Housing in honor of Carlton Russell.

The Carlton Russell award was voted on and passed unanimously by all members of the Council.

Ed Corbitt: Trophy cases - Ed and Paul Folse will meet with Monica Nimmo and go forth with ideas.

Larry Phillips has T-shirts for sale from the Brass event.

Christmas party - Dave Eliskovich has agreed to chair. Dave made a motion for \$500 for the Christmas party on Dec. 16 at 7:00 PM

Motion was made to donate \$250 to the Angel tree. Passed.

Super bowl party- Motion made and passed for \$500 for this event

Operation Turkey drop was mentioned on the floor and committee formed and up to \$500 was allocated. Members of committee are Mike Rector, John Bolger and Dave Eliskovich.

GK Doug provided \$100 to make a Thanksgiving dinner for a family in need.

GK Bob Johnson from the Gallatin Council and Christe Russell were on hand for the donation for Sumner Special Housing of \$500 each from the Assembly and the Council.

Transferees Tim Lynch Jr. and Mike Clavin were welcomed to the Council.

Insurance agent Steve Sullivan gave a report.

Bill Grist- Gave a speech about the pledge of allegiance.

The shopping spree for the priests is on Dec. 1st.

## A Merry and Holy Christmas to You All



Bert Brahney mentioned Eucharistic Adoration asking that those Knights not yet participating take an hour.

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

**Andy Pleiss'** number was drawn for the Nov. jackpot. He **NOT** being present, next month's jackpot will be \$116.

## Bishop Joseph Durick Assembly #2389 News

The Knights of Columbus, Bishop Joseph Durick Assembly 2389, met at OLOL at 5pm on November 19th. The meeting was well attended. All officers attended with the exception of, Faithful Friar; he being duly excused by the Faithful Navigator.

Minutes for last month's meeting were approved as read.

Honor Guard Request: Joe Wall faithful Navigator made a request for an Honor guard for Corpus Christi Day; full regalia is required. Time/date is November 26th at 3pm at Aquinas College Campus.

Sir Knight Carlton Russell items:

Joe Wall, Faithful Navigator, informed the assembly that our fallen brother knight Russell Carlton had donated his Regalia to the assembly, part of which will be kept to be used as required. One of two Chapeau's will be displayed on a table to be set up for a fallen knight at each meeting (motion made and passed). Russell's capes were passed to other brothers in return for a donation to the funds. A slide projector that Carlton donated will be given to the Church.

Memorial Garden:

A discussion was then held on the setting up of a memorial garden for fallen knights, with a proposed name of Knights of Columbus Garden. It was proposed that a list of fallen knights be obtained and stones be placed in the garden with the name of each knight engraved on a stone. This would be a cost and a proposal was made that \$3 be added to the yearly fees to cover some of this cost. After further discussion it was decided that in principal this should be a council driven project so the motion failed at this meeting and is to be revived later if required.

Sumner Special Housing Donation:

The Assembly presented our portion of the donation which was \$500 to Bob Johnson for Sumner Special Housings new home that they are building in honor of Carlton Russell. Joe Wall could not attend the presentation and asked that Richard Smith, Faithful Admiral, present the gift on his behalf.

Firemen's Banquet Report: A report was given by Ed Corbitt on the Firemen's appreciation banquet. He reported that there were about 90 guests in attendance and we were \$400 under budget. He also thanked all of the Sir Knights that helped with setup and serving. The event was very well appreciated by all in attendance. Faithful Navigator Joe Wall was presented a United States flag that was flown over the state capitol by State Representative Debra Maggot.

A motion was made and passed for a gift certificate for \$100 to be presented to Browns Florist in appreciation for the donation of roses she made for the Fireman's Banquet. Ed Corbitt was nominated to organize.

Other Business:

Bill Grist was nominated to prepare an advertisement to be placed in the publication for the Supreme Convention.

Grand Knight of Council 9132 Doug Blake informed the assembly that a flag pole would be placed at the home of fallen hero Lance Corporal Tyler R. Overstreet. A stone engraved with his name will be placed at the base of the Flag. The Assembly donated the flag Pole; the FN authorized payment due to the cost being under \$100 and the nature of the request.

A request was received from Deacon Carr in regards to finding a temporary job for Frank Becherly ( who has returned from duty in Iraq). He is interested in obtaining a position in a nearby police department.

Meeting closed at 5:45pm.

## Council Donates \$500 to Sumner Regional Housing in Honor of Carlton Russell

At the November meeting we were honored to have Christe Endsley, Carlton Russell's daughter, present as the Council and Bishop Durick Assembly presented checks for \$500 each in Carlton's name to the Sumner Special Housing.



Carlton's Daughter Christe Was Present as John Bolger Presented Bob Johnson With Checks in Carlton's Honor. to Sumner Regional Housing as Doug Blake and Richard Smith Look On

### Did You Know

That a Mexican Knight and Bishop, Rafael Valencia, has been canonized by Pope Benedict XVI?

That "Jingle Bells" was originally written for Thanksgiving?

That the KofC recently presented Pope Benedict a check for \$1.6 million for his charitable work?

That the carol "Away in a Manager" was attributed to Martin Luther but not written by him?

### New Transferees

We have two new transferees in Council 9132: Tim Lynch and Michael Clavin.

Tim, who is transferring from the Gallatin council, is a longtime resident of middle TN and has been a regular in our Sunday Choir ensemble.

Michael and his wife, Karen, have been at OLOL for 11 years. They have 3 boys, 15, 13, 11 and one girl, 10. Michael works at Orchid International in Mt. Juliet. His e-mail address is [clavin@comcast.net](mailto:clavin@comcast.net).

## Fraternal Benefits News A Christmas Gift

This Christmas give your family a gift that they'll cherish. It is a gift that shows that you truly love your family. Life insurance.

When you purchase life insurance it isn't just for yourself. It is for your entire family.

Life insurance does two things. The first thing is it provides you and your wife with an income during your retirement years. It enables you to live and not worry about money. You may go and do what you want.

The second thing it does is it protects your loved ones if you were to die prematurely. It gives your family financial protection so that they may survive in your absence. It can be nearly impossible for a family to live without life insurance when the breadwinner dies.

Be a real St. Nick and get life insurance today.

If you have any questions, please contact me by e-mail at [Stephen.Sullivan@kofc.org](mailto:Stephen.Sullivan@kofc.org) or by phone at 516-9358.

Vivat Jesus! Stephen Sullivan

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No snowflake in an avalanche ever feels responsible - Stanislaw Jerzy Lee

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What do you do when you see an endangered animal eating an endangered plant?

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New To Third Degree - from left to right: Back row: Mike Murray, Jeff Yelle, Darrell Jones, Clint Taylor, and Mark Pence. Front row: Buster Hand, Dan Bernier, and Bill Maier.



Kitchen Help at Third Degree: Servers left to right Fran Varboncoeur, Mike Rector, Bob Gillespie, Mitch Parochka, Dave Eliskovich, and Steve Mantegani. Brothers being served are Dan Bernier, Jeff Yelle and Wayne Birthright.

### Third Degree Held at OLOL

The Third Degree that we hosted on the 18th of November had 26 knights advance to full knighthood. The degree team said this was the largest group they have had in over two years.

Eight Knights from Council 9132 advanced: Dan Bernier, Buster Hand, Darrell Jones, Bill Maier, Mike Murray, Mark Pence, Clint Taylor, and Jeff Yelle.

An outstanding meal was provided by a team (shown in the photo) led by Bob Gillespie and Mike Rector.