



Knighly News

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**Fish Fries begin
February 19th**

Grand Knight Report

Brother Knights,

Here we are in 2010 and we have a lot of things coming up in the near future. In February Lent starts and so do our Fish Fries. They are our # 1 Fund Raisers for the year. As you know, there is a lot to do so please volunteer whenever possible. Please check in the front of your Knights Directory and see who the Captain is and give him a call. I am sure any and all help will be SINCERELY APPRECIATED! The monies raised from this event will be distributed to our various charities, Schools, Church, Scouts, Discovery Living, etc.

Our Council is also doing the **KC Free Throw Contests**. Please contact Jim Nieman to help out with this wonderful event. We also have the **KC Spelling Bees** coming up soon. Glen Purdy has been captaining this for several years and would like someone to take this over. Please call Glen (396-2604) to help with this event and let him know if you are interested in taking it over.

There will be a **1st Degree Exemplification** held on February 28th @ 11:00 at Mt Vernon Rd. Council #5677, located at Hwy. 13 and Mt. Vernon Rd. If you know of any Catholic Men over the age 18 that are interested in joining the Knights please contact Jay Fields at 369-0855, or Mike Toczylowski at 389-5454.

There will also be a **2nd & 3rd Degree Exemplification** held on February 28th @ 12:30 Registration – 1:00 Start. This will be held at the Marion Council #5390 located just north of Hwy. 151 & Hwy 13 Intersection. If you are a 1st Degree Knight this will be a great opportunity to advance. There is **NO COST** to you to join this degree. Please contact Jay Fields 369-0855 if you are interested. *** If you take this degree you will be qualified to obtain your 4th Degree in April if you would like to attend.

The 4th Degree Knights will be holding a **4th Degree Exemplification** at St. Jude on Saturday April 10th. If you have been a Knight for a least 6 Months and have obtained your 3rd Degree, you're qualified to join the 4th Degree Knights. Please contact Jay Fields 369-0855 if you are interested. This is a great opportunity since there are only 3 or 4 Exemplifications per year and they are held all over the state. This is as close as you will get so there won't be any Hotel or Travel costs. The only costs involved will be fee of \$70.00. This includes a 4th Degree Banquet Ticket, a Social Baldrick, and a pin. You will also be required to wear a Black Tux (a Black Suit will be authorized for this event only). If you need a Tux, the Knights of Columbus gets a special price through Childberts. The tux costs \$ 179.00 for Polyester / \$249.00 for Wool. I have order forms available so please contact me if interested.

As always may God Bless you and your families!

Vivat Jesus!

Jay Fields~ GK 5544

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Special points of interest:

-Family of the month for November: is Joel and Jennifer Hansen. Joel is new to the Knights and agreed to help with concessions at an event. Thank you both for your time, we appreciate it!

-Knight of the month for November: is Jerry Mackey (and wife Marnee) for captaining the January pancake breakfast. Thank you both for chairing this event. We applaud your efforts!

Annuity for you?

A regular source of income from an annuity can help strengthen your retirement strategy. You've put a lot of hard work into saving for retirement. Starting a Knights of Columbus annuity with a guaranteed minimum rate for life can help you enjoy the benefits of your efforts. An annuity can provide a regular source of cash flow for the rest of your life. In a Knights of Columbus annuity you can sleep at night and not worry about your retirement funds. That is the way Father McGivney wanted it to be. The Knights of Columbus is financially strong with our AAA rating from Standard and Poor's and our A++ rating from Am Best. Give me a call to discuss if an annuity is right for you.

Mike Toczyłowski ~389-5484 or Mike.Toczyłowski@KOFC.ORG

Spelling Bee

Council Spelling Bee is February 7, 2010 at 1:00 pm at Holy Family LaSalle Middle School. This is open to all 4th-7th grade students.

Regional will be February 21st at 1:00 pm at Holy Family LaSalle Middle School. **State** will be on March 7th at 1:00 at St. Cecilia School in Ames.

Rules, entry form, and lists can be found at <http://www.iowakofc.org/youth.shtml>

Questions contact Glen or Mary Purdy 396-2604

What the Recorder Heard

In January we welcomed 3 new members. We learned the materials are ordered for the spelling bee. The dance for life tickets are available. In the parish the mission statement re-write is started, the re-organization task force is in full swing, there will be a new liturgy coming this fall. Council free throw is completed & 199 students participated. The Christmas card sales went well this year. The next blood drive will be March 26th. The January breakfast went well with over 500\$ turned in. There are plans for a 4th degree exemplification right after Easter.

In the new business portion we approved the loan of the pop machine & a beer tapper to the Falcon Night Committee for their hoedown on Feb 13th. We also approved the purchase of 12 dance for life tickets - to be given to last years "Knights of the Month".

To Bad.

This years 'soup luck' was the best yet. We had 15 different soups, several different breads & crackers, and several yummy deserts. Those that attended this FREE event had a great time both eating and socializing. So if you are one of the members that did not make it - to bad - you lose.

Time to step up.

The next blood drive is March 26th. The catastrophe in Haiti has been met with many countries stepping up and sending medical teams, mobile hospitals, surgical units - however most do not have the ability to ship large quantities of blood, we do & we will. This will result in most of our nation's blood banks being stripped of plasma and whole blood supply - SO KNIGHTS ITS TIME TO STEP UP. Sign up and give a unit. (Our next drive is scheduled for March 24th.)

Directory Updates

New Members

Jason (Sara) Kohl
1031 Juniper Dr SW
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404
365-2943

Steve (Lisa) Carney
146 26th St NW
Cedar Rapids, IA 52405
396-2279

Adam (Alaina) Daters
1921 25th St SW
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404
899-0782

Address changes:

Joshua Millard
118 Norwick Rd SW
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404-1142

Timothy Fitzpatrick
211 Ridge Dr
Fairfax, IA 52228-7606

Deceased

Don DeMeulenaere

FREE THROW NEWS

The council Free throw contest was held on Jan. 13th during the PE classes at La Salle Middle School with the assistance of Mr. Louk, the principle , the PE teacher, Kevin Malloy, and several teachers. 9 retired Knights, 7 spouses and 1 widow enjoyed helping the students.



These contestants will advance on to the Fed. 7th. District Free Throw Contest:

Boys	Girls
10 Dedrick Hawins	Sophia Maher
11 Sam Meyer	Sydney Nelson
12 Christopher Krystofiak	Kylie Oldridge
13 Joseph Welch	Claire Bouchard
14 Colin O'Connell	Hayley Deutmeyer

The Feb. 7th contest will consists of students from La Salle and College Community Schools. I will need about 10 people to help me with this event at the La Salle Middle School. It will start at 1 and last about 1 hour. Call Jim Nie-man 396-5892 to volunteer.

Fish Fries

Lent is just around the corner so that means that our annual Fish Fries are gearing up to start and your help is needed to make this a successful fund raiser for the year!

Join us each Friday night from February 19 through March 26 from 5:00 –7:30 PM in the St. Jude Parish Center for some good food and fellowship!

We will be serving fish dinner (fried or baked), potato (baked or French fries), veggie, slaw, roll, applesauce, and beverage. There is a grilled cheese option as well with all the sides. Cost is \$8.00 Adults, \$6.00 Seniors (65+), \$4.00 Children 5-12 and children under 5 free. Any spouse, or children, of deployed military will receive a discount of \$5.00 (per family).

Help support our fish fries this year by working and joining us for a meal! We know you'll have fun!

Concession Help Needed!

The Following days we will need workers to help out with the concession stands:

February 12	Monster Trucks	2 people needed	Report time is 5:30pm	US Cellular Center
February 13	Monster Trucks	4 people needed	Report time is 5:30pm	US Cellular Center
February 25	Jeff Dunhum	2 people needed	Report time is 5:30pm	US Cellular Center
February 27	Roughriders	4 people needed	Report time is 5pm	Ice Arena

We can use many people so not just a few people are working all these events. Knights and spouses are welcome to work these events. If you have a child 16 years old or older and wants to work, all we ask is that one adult accompanies them. 16 to 18 year olds are not able to serve beer, but there is other things they can do in the stand that are required of us to do. And this is an excellent way to earn service hours!!!!

Please call Chris or Barb Zaugg at 365-2830 to schedule you in to work.

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February 2010

Feb. 7	Pancake Breakfast	6:30 AM-2:00 PM	P. Center/Scouts
Feb. 7	Council Spelling Bee	1:00PM –3:00 PM	LaSalle
Feb. 7	District Free Throw Contest	12:00 –3:00 PM	LaSalle Gym
Feb. 10	Council Rosary	6:30 PM	St. Jude Chapel
Feb. 10	Council Meeting	7:00 PM-8:30 PM	Parish Center
Feb. 19	Fish Fry	5:00 PM-8:00 PM	Parish Center
Feb. 21	Regional Spelling Bee	1:00 PM-3:00 PM	LaSalle
Feb 26	Fish Fry	5:00 PM-8:00 PM	Parish Center

March 2010

Mar. 5	Fish Fry	5:00 PM-9:00 PM	Parish Center
Mar. 7	Pancake Breakfast	6:30 AM-2:00 PM	Parish Center
Mar. 7	KC State Spelling Bee	1:00 PM-3:30 PM	St. Cecilia, Ames, IA
Mar. 10	Council Rosary	6:30 PM	St. Jude Chapel
Mar. 10	Council Meeting	7:00 PM-8:30 PM	Parish Center
Mar. 12	Fish Fry	5:00 PM-9:00 PM	Parish Center
Mar. 14	Regional Free Throw	12:00 PM-4:00 PM	LaSalle Gym
Mar. 19	Fish Fry	5:00 PM-9:00 PM	Parish Center
Mar 24	Blood Drive	2:30 PM-8:00 PM	Parish Center
Mar. 26	Fish Fry	5:00 PM-9:00 PM	Parish Center
Mar. 27	Kitchen Cleanup	8:00 AM-done	Parish Center