



Knightly News

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Happy New Year!

Grand Knight Report

Brother Knights,

I would like to start off by wishing everyone a HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! I hope and pray that this year goes better for everyone and that our Country can recover economically and spiritually so that the suffering of those who have been affected may end.

While you are pondering on this year's New Years resolutions, I would like to ask that you reflect on what it means to be a Knight and ask yourself, "What can I do to make a difference?" I would really appreciate it if each of you can try to attend our monthly meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of each Month @ 6:30 PM for Rosary and 7:00 PM for the meeting. We are looking for ideas to help serve the Church, Schools and Community. Please remember that Charity does not consist of money alone. It is acts of kindness and generosity of sharing our gifts and talents to serve our faith, our community and the Lord.

I would like to also send a special THANK YOU to a few people:

To Richard and Jeanie Tomy for stepping up to help organize and run the Senior Christmas Party (after "retiring" last year). We had around 40+ seniors that were able to make it despite the cold and snow. *** Good News, my wife Donna and I will be taking over the Senior Christmas Party duties starting next year.

To Kurt and Deb Kinion for stepping up to organize and run this year's Adult Christmas Party. Due to work conflicts I was only able to stop by for a short visit. It looked like a lot of fun. I wish I could have attended.

Vivat Jesus!

Jay Fields

Grand Knight #5544

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Special points of interest:

-Family of the month for November: is Rick & Jeannie Tomy for stepping in after "retiring" to chair the Senior Christmas Party!!!! Thank you both for your dedication to this event, we appreciate your time very much!

-Knight of the month for November: is KJ Pilcher (and his wife) for captaining the December Breakfast. This was their first Breakfast and they did a Great Job. Thank you both for lending your time, we appreciate your efforts!

Go electronic in 2010?

Are you looking to cut-down on the "clutter" you get in your mailbox? Here is an opportunity for you. Consider receiving the newsletter via e-mail instead of "snail mail". What does this mean? Well, you can get a copy of the newsletter sooner than waiting for the mail. You will have access to a copy of it either in your e-mail, or on our website, throughout the month to refer to instead of accidentally recycling it with the weekly "clutter". How do you sign up? Send an e-mail to koc5544@aol.com and let us know that you want to be added to the group list for the newsletter. Then, once the newsletter is done, a copy will be sent to you via e-mail.

Let us know if you are willing to be contacted via e-mail for "short notice" items.

Thanks and have a Happy New Year!

What are you afraid of?

Why did you join the Knights of Columbus. Probably for the same reason I did. To make a difference in peoples lives. To help. To help make a difference. These are the same reasons I decided to become a field agent with the Knights of Columbus. Making a difference and helping you. What are you afraid of? I am required by the supreme office (your supreme office) to come out and update your family service record once a year. A record that is designed to help your family in case something happens. What are you afraid of? Even if I do find a shortfall in your coverage there is no pressure to buy from the Knights. I'm not sure why you wouldn't want to. If you didn't know, all of the money that comes out of the home office to help support different programs is a direct result of the profits of the insurance division. What are you afraid of? My only concern is that you take care of those needs. What are you afraid of? In regards to our products, how are your investments doing? Did you know that our annuities offer a guarantee interest rate? That's right. You will never lose one cent of your money. Have you thought about your long term care needs? Do you know anyone who has been in an accident and suddenly could not take care of themselves? Remember Superman (Christopher Reeves) How about Michael J. Fox? We don't know at what age tragedy will hit. But we can be ready for it. So now. What are you afraid of? You can get long term care as early as 30 years old and a basic plan would cost as little as taking your family out for dinner. How about putting those fears to rest and let me do what the supreme office asks me to do once a year. See me when I call. It only takes about an hour. But it could take care of you and your families financial future.

Mike Toczylowski

389-5454

Soup Luck



It's January and that means COLD! And it means it is time for our 4th Annual Soup Luck! Help chase away the winter chill by joining the Knights and their families for nice warm bowl of homemade soup! All are welcome to attend on Saturday, January 16th after the 4:30 Mass (approximately 5:45). Bring a favorite pot of soup to share along with your table service and any side you'd like (i.e. crackers, rolls, dessert) and join us for a night of fellowship, food and fun in the Parish Center! Hope to see you there!

Concession Help Needed!

We will be working the Rough Riders Concession stand on: (4 workers each night)

January 22 Report time 5pm (Friday)

January 23 Report time 5pm (Saturday)

Workers can be any Knight, spouse, Both and any one over the age of 16 (any high school student needs to be accompanied with one of his/her parents). For high schoolers this is a way you can get some of your service hours in.

Please call Chris or Barb Zaugg at 365-2830 to sign up for one of these nights.

Thank You~ Chris Zaugg

FREE THROW NEWS

COUNCIL JAN 13, 2010 9 am to 1:30 pm during PE classes

DISTRICT FEB 7, 2010 12-3PM

REGIONAL MAR 14, 2010 12-3PM

Council event is open to all boys and girls ages 10 to 14 and will be held in the LaSalle school Gym.

Mark your calendars to help. Jim Nieman Chairperson. 396-5892



From the District Deputy

My wife and I wish all Knights and Families a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

The Birthright Dance for Life will be held on the 6th of March at Council # 5390 in Marion starting at 7 pm, dance will run until 11 pm. Tickets will cost \$7, there will be food, games and a D.J.

There will be a Fundraiser on January 10, 2010 to benefit Robert Duvall, a member of Fairfax council and a parish member of John 23rd. He has cancer and his only hope besides prayer, is to go for the Experimental Drug Trials that are held in Maryland; money is needed for airfares and accommodation for the family.

John 23rd and Fairfax Knights will serve a meal with Pulled Pork, Potatoes and Green Bean Casserole, starting at noon, there will also be an auction.

For all Knights that have a rank of 1st degree and wish to advance to 2nd and 3rd, there will be an exemplification at Council # 909 on Sunday the 28th of February, A 1st degree will also be offered at 10.30 am, so if you have any relatives or friends that wish to join, bring them along.

John McGinness
District Deputy # 26.

2010 Membership Dues

2010 Membership billing is being created and will be mailed to you soon. Please be sure to pay your yearly dues promptly to avoid being dropped by mistake. If you know of anyone who is deployed please be sure to notify me so that I can update their records accordingly. If you have any questions on your billing please don't hesitate to contact me, I would be happy to answer them for you. Have a Happy New Year!

Blaine Miller
Financial Secretary ~ 654-0050

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January 2010

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| Jan. 3 | Pancake Breakfast | 6:30 AM-2:00 PM | Parish Center |
| Jan 13 | Council Free Throw Contest | 9:00 AM-1:30 PM | LaSalle Gym |
| Jan. 13 | Council Rosary | 6:30 PM | St. Jude Chapel |
| Jan. 13 | Council Meeting | 7:00 PM—8:30 PM | Parish Center |
| Jan. 16 | Soup Luck | 5:30 PM-8:00 PM | Parish Center |

February 2010

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| 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 |