



# Knightly News

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March 2008

**Kitchen Clean-up  
March 15  
We need your help!**

## Grand Knight Report

By the time you read this we will be nearing the end of a very busy month for our council. The fish fries will either be over or near the end. The free throw contests will be in the books. The parish retreat will be (postponed). The spelling bee will be done. The Father Michael campaign will be near. We will have given away a Nintendo Wii video game system which the proceeds will go towards Pennies for Heaven which benefits vocations. As I write this we have two weeks of ticket sales in with four more to go and we already almost have the system paid for.

Wow this has been a busy month.

It's not over yet. We have three more rather large items to discuss:

1.Later in this newsletter it will be discussed a proposed amendment to the way we designate funds to the building fund. This will be voted on at the March meeting so if you want to have a say please be at the meeting to both express your opinion and to vote. Remember that we will be having a first degree prior to the meeting. It would be nice to have a nice turn out to show support for our new members.

2.On March 9 we will be holding our Father Michael wants you campaign. 100 men were invited directly by mail by Father and the whole parish was invited via the bulletin. The success will be reported in the next newsletter.

3.Our council has been approached by the church in Newhall to recruit for the Knights with the intention of starting a council in that parish within a couple of years. We have been given the blessing of our State Deputy Mike Gaspers, the District Deputies who have been working with them previously, as well as Father McClure who is the pastor. Father feels there is a need for a council in the parish but wants to take baby steps. He would like to get us involved to teach more men about the Knights and get them to want to start a council instead of forcing a council on them. The recruiting will be held during their Ham dinner on March 30 in Newhall from 11-1. Please come and help us be a force and show them what our great council is all about.

VIVAT JESUS,  
Mike Toczylowski  
Grand Knight

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### Special points of interest:

**-Family of the month:** is Glen and Mary Purdy for not only Chairing the spelling bee but being able to adapt on short notice on a date change. Thank you.

**-Knight of the Month:** is Mouri Kouri for stepping in at the last minute to fill in at two midweek hockey games. Thanks for being there for the Knights.

## Join us for the Fish Fry during Lent!!!

Council #5544 will again hold a weekly Fish Fry during Lent. Only 2 more Fish Fries left, March 7 & March 14th from 5:00 pm—7:30 pm in the St. Jude Parish Center for a wonderful dinner and some great fun!

Purchase a raffle ticket for \$1.00 and get a chance to win a Nintendo Wii game system!!!! The hottest ticket in town! All the money raised from this raffle will support our Pennies from Heaven campaign which helps vocations

Dinner includes your choice of baked, or fried, cod with potato, veggie, cole slaw, roll, applesauce and beverage. Children's option includes grilled cheese with potato, veggie, cole slaw, roll, applesauce and beverage. Cost for the meals are: Adults \$7.00, Seniors (65+) \$6.00, Children 5-12 \$4.00, Children under 5 free.

**Many hands** are needed to make this a successful year. Captains in the directory are **March 7**-Glen & Mary Purdy, **Mar. 14**-Mike & Kathy Toczyłowski.

Please say yes when they call to ask for help-if you don't get a call and would like to help-then please jump in! This is an excellent opportunity to meet others in the Council and to help in one of our biggest fund raisers!

**Kitchen clean-up March 15th at 8:00** am. Come help us clean up the kitchen before Holy Week begins. Many hands will make this project go quickly! Thank you in advance for your help!

## ~What the Recorder Heard~

Last Month we welcomed a transfer member from Belle Plain. The "Father wants you" campaign open house will be March 9th. Father Mark would like a few knights to step up and become Eucharistic Ministers for the area nursing home. We will be going to Newhall to recruit new members. Dennis gave us the 'final' year-end report as well as the current status. There are 4 opportunities for working at the Kernels this year, however not all are practical. An amendment to the by-laws was proposed (and are published in this newsletter).

Item of note for March:

The next blood drive will be March 12th-GIVE BLOOD (by the way, it is a meeting night so come a little early donate some blood and stay for the big vote).

There will be a March breakfast (March 2)-come join us. Don't forget the Fish Fry's-come join us.

Thought of the month:

There are only 3 things you can do-lead, follow, or get out of the way (the only things in the middle of the road are dead).

Dick Street

Recorder

## **Important Vote in March Meeting!!!!**

### **Amendment to Council By-Laws.**

The following amendment to the council By-Laws is offered.

### **Current By-Law.**

#### **Article VII – Funds.**

##### Section 6

\$4.70 from each member's annual dues from those members paying full dues shall be deposited in the Building Fund. One quarter of all profits of all fund raising projects, unless the project is designated for a specific purpose, will be deposited in the Building Fund. The Building Fund, together with the interest thereon, shall be maintained for the purpose of providing and maintaining a permanent home for the council.

### **Proposed By-Law**

##### Section 6

Four dollars from each member's annual dues from those members paying full dues, shall be deposited in the Building Fund. Ten percent of all profits of all fund raising projects, unless the project is designated for a specific purpose, will be deposited in the Building Fund. The Building Fund, together with the interest thereon, shall be maintained for the purpose of providing, enhancing, or maintaining permanent location(s) for the council.

### **Interpretive statement.**

Approval of this amendment will reduce the amount of monies deposited into the Building Fund by \$.70 per dues paying member from annual dues, it will also reduce by 15 percent the amount of monies deposited into the Building Fund from the profits of each of our fund raising events. It also maintains the current exemption for designated funds. It expands the use of the funds to cover costs associated with maintaining our 'Lock-up' within the parish center, our storage shed behind LaSalle, any possible expansion of the parish center where our council will benefit.

### **Process.**

To approve (according to Article 9 of the By-Laws) we must present one month, publish in the next news letter, then approve by a two thirds vote of those present at the subsequent meeting .

## **~Grand Knight Thought of the Month~**

**Values are like fingerprints. Nobody's are the same, but you leave 'em all over everything you do.**

*- Elvis Presley*



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**March 2008**

March 2	Pancake Breakfast	6:30 am-2:00 pm	Parish Center
March 2*	KC Regional Spelling Bee	1:00 pm-3:30 pm	LaSalle
March 7	Fish Fry	5:00pm-9:00 pm	Parish Center
March 12	Council Meeting	7:00 pm-8:30 pm	Parish Center
March 12	Blood Drive	2:30 pm-8:00 pm	Parish Center
March 14	Fish Fry	5:00 pm-9:00 pm	Parish Center
March 15	Kitchen Clean-up	8:00 am-DONE	Parish Center
March 24	State Free Throw Contest	TBD	TBD
March 25	National Day of the Unborn Child	TBD	TBD

**April 2008**

April 6	Pancake Breakfast	6:30 am-2:00 pm	Parish Center
April 9	Council Meeting	7:00pm-8:30 pm	Parish Center
April 26	Spring Dinner	5:30 pm-8:00 PM	Parish Center

**May 2008**

May 4	Pancake Breakfast	6:30 am-2:00 pm	Parish Center
May 10	Awards Banquet	5:30 pm-9:00 pm	Parish Center
May 14	Council Meeting	7:00 pm-8:30 pm	Parish Center