



Knighly News

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Grand Knight Report

Dear Brother Knights,

As I sit here pondering what to write for this months GK Report, I find myself looking at all the challenges we have facing each and every one of us. With so much going on in our country with family and friends losing their jobs and having tough times financially due to the economy, I can't help but to ask myself, "What I can do to make a difference?"

First of all the Knights of Columbus help so many people, whether it be financially through fundraisers or donations, physically by helping to fix things around peoples homes, churches and schools, or Spiritually through prayer. I am PROUD to be a part of the Knights who make it a point to make a difference. That is why we need to be actively thinking about recruiting people into the Knights that want to get involved and that want to make a difference.

We have many projects that we are currently doing but anyone with ideas on things we can do better or do differently to make a bigger difference in these hard times, your suggestions are welcome.

Please remember to pray for those people that are sick or in distress.

May God Bless each of you and your families!!!

Vivat Jesus!

Sincerely,

Jay Fields ~ GK 5544

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Special points of interest:

-Family of the month:
For **October:** Jeff Freilinger for all the events that he works. Rough Riders, Concerts, Breakfasts. Thank you Jeff for giving your time so selflessly.

-Knight of the month:
For **October:** Gene & Rhonda Tang – Short notice captaining the September Breakfast. Great job on the breakfast. Thank you both.

Thank You

Thank you to the following people for helping at November's Pancake Breakfast:

Pat McCormick (Captain) and Susan & Brendan McCormick, Denise Andries, Oscar Barnes, Lloyd & Carol Bean, Walter Beary, Jeff Detterman, Patrick Ford, Ted, Jonathan, Jacob, and Alex Francois, Jeffrey Freilinger, Michael Glynn, Mary Lou Hess, Wes & Lisa Huisinga, Jade, Jesse & Tarra McElmeel, Randy Millsap and Robert & Lynette Perkins. All of your help led to another successful breakfast-thank you all!



What the Recorder Heard



What the recorder heard.

This month we welcomed 3 new members to the council. They are Justin Roberts, Joel Hanson, Jared Paul Swanson. We learned that the tootsie roll drive raised almost as much money as last year (pretty good considering the economy). We

learned we need someone to take over the spelling bee (after many successful years Glenn & Mary want to step down). We learned the blood drive raised 23 units. We learned that our annual Christmas card sales will begin shortly. We

learned the October breakfast did pretty well earning \$544. Also of note is that we still have a lot of volunteer opportunities available for November (football & 5 seasons).

There were no motions put forward this month.

Dick Street, recorder

Space Needed-Can You Help?



We are a group of people who help families and students primarily from the west side of Cedar Rapids. We are in need of a room or some type of space. The room would need to be heated and approximately 15'x13' in size.



Our purpose is to give gifts of clothing, food, toys and personal hygiene items to students and families at Christmas. We get the names of needy students and families from the school counselors.



Because we do help these people throughout the year we receive donations all year long, hence, the need for a heated area. If you can think of a place we would do the contacting and make the arrangements. If you or someone one you know can help us please contact Claire Sharp at 396-7806. We appreciate your help. Thank you.

Blood Drive

Blood Drive Results

On Wednesday, September 30, 2009, our council sponsored a blood drive at St. Jude Parish Center. We had 20 donors signed up and had many walk ins.

Some were unable to be there for various reasons, some were deferred. Our total for the drive was 23 units taken. I would like to thank all who were there to donate, and all who worked the event.

~Mark Seber



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 La Salle school Gym.

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



Iowa Football in full swing!



Come help the Knights with a fund raiser and enjoying watching the game from within the confines of Kinnick Stadium!

Our assignment is to help with taking tickets before the game and at half-time as well as one quarter assigned by the gate supervisor. Any other time you are allowed to watch the game from near your area. We are asked to wear black pants, black shoes and a white shirt. A jacket will be given to you on arrival to complete the “uniform”.

Football games remaining are: November 7 (TBD), and November 21 (TBD).

Join the car pool heading to Kinnick Stadium today by contacting Blaine Miller at 654-0050.

Go Hawks!

Keep Christ in *Christmas*

ON SALE NOW!

Sunday, November 1 we broke out the Christmas cards for the Keep Christ in Christmas campaign. Remember us when shopping for your cards this year. These cards are beautifully created and have a distinct message reminding all who receive one of the true meaning of Christmas-*CHRIST!*

Watch for the display after Mass each week Shop early for the best selection as these are sure to go quickly!

Call Blaine or Marlana Miller with any questions or to set up a different time at 654-0050.

May you all have a blessed Thanksgiving!



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November 2009

Nov. 1	Pancake Breakfast	6:30 am-2:00 pm	Parish Center
Nov. 7	Iowa Football	TBD	Kinnick Stadium
Nov. 11	Council Rosary	6:30 pm	St. Jude Chapel
Nov. 11	Council Meeting	7:00-8:00 pm	Parish Center
Nov. 14	Fall Dinner	5:30 pm-8:00 pm	Parish Center
Nov. 21	Iowa Football	TBD	Kinnick Stadium

December 2009

Dec. 3	Senior Christmas Party	5:30 PM-8:30 PM	Parish Center
Dec. 5	KC Family Christmas Party	5:30 PM-9:00 PM	Parish Center
Dec. 6	Pancake Breakfast	6:30 PM-2:00 PM	Parish Center
Dec. 9	Council Rosary	6:30 PM	Parish Center
Dec. 9	Council Meeting	7:00 PM-8:30 PM	Parish Center
Dec. 12	KC Adult Christmas Party	6:00 PM-10:00 PM	Parish Center