



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

FEBRUARY

- 6 – Council Meeting (7:30 PM)
- 7 – 4TH Degree Meeting (6:00 PM)
- 8 – Stations of the Cross Soup Supper – H.F.
- 14 – Valentine's Day
- 16 – Family Social – Tony's (6:00 PM)
- 24 – Blood Drive VFW 6060 11am-3pm

MARCH

- 5 – Council Meeting (7:30 PM)
- 6 – 4TH Degree Meeting (6:00 PM)

REMEMBER TO ALWAYS
CARRY A FORM 100. YOU
NEVER KNOW WHEN YOU
MAY NEED IT.



GRAND KNIGHT'S GREETING VIVAT JESUS!

Brothers, another month has come to an end. I want to give thanks to John Woodard Jr. for his continuing work with the LAMB drive, Brad Gardner for a successful Free Throw Competition (big numbers again), Jack Ireland for another successful Spaghetti Dinner, and especially all brothers who helped make these events so successful. Several of us attended the mid-year meeting; some as participants while others as presenters. Hopefully we picked up some ideas to carry us through the end of the year.

In April, His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI will be making his first pastoral visit to the USA. The Supreme Council has developed several ways for Knights to express our being "In Solidarity With Our Holy Father". The first a papal visit prayer card and I will have some at the meeting. All First Degrees until the June 30 will be held in honor of Pope Benedict XVI with special new member certificates.



BLOOD DRIVE


GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE – KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7547 ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE. THIS YEAR'S BLOOD DRIVE IS FEBRUARY 24TH FROM 11:00 AM UNTIL 3:00 PM AT VFW POST 6060 (NEXT DOOR TO HOLY FAMILY). FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT JIM JACKSON AT (252) 338-8621.

Brothers who propose new members will receive a special recruiter commemorative coin. The names of the new members will be inscribed in a tribute book that will be presented to the Holy Father. So lets find that Catholic Gentleman who's waiting for a form 100.

Our new addition is almost complete and I have heard rumors that some of you may be interested in having an occasional Sunday Pancake breakfast. I am floating this out to see how much interest there is in working the event before I bring this up at a meeting. See me at Church, email me or call me at home.

It's lent again and I am putting out a call for Soup Chefs. We have Stations of the Cross and the Soup Supper on the first Friday February 8th I will have a sign up sheet at the meeting.

Fraternally yours,


JIM RILEY

Mary Queen
of the Knights
**PRAY
FOR
US**



SICK, MEMORIAL:

Please keep all our members and families in your prayers, especially:

AMANDA BROWN, BRAEDEN WELCH, (Lamothe), Small & Elsie Olds, Hank Daidone, Joanne Dorsey, Bill Nolan, Dana Himelwright, Mike Bishoff, Fr. Bill Rhul, Sylva Langevin, Foye & Mary McLemore, Fr. Joe Klaus, Des Barclay, Joe Lynch. Pray for our deceased brother Rev. William Ruehl (12-19-2007) and Farris McLemore, brother of Foye McLemore passed away January 2008.



This is a good program for free funds; please designate your card to the KofC 7547 or a Charity. I am willing to register any number, just pass on the info. Thanks to all who participate.

-John Purcell

RECYCLE

Aluminum cans, aluminum, brass & copper are always accepted at church or call John Purcell. Even with construction at church, we are still active with our collections!

PLEASE, keep up the good work!

ANNUAL DUES

Council dues are \$30. Please make an effort to return payment promptly. Please respond or get in touch with me at your earliest convenience.

Thanks,
John Purcell

WELCOME

PLEASE WELCOME THE NEWEST MEMBERS OF OUR COUNCIL:

REV CHESCO GARCIA, DIRK AMES AND MICHAEL TORCHIA, PGK DONALD CORMICLE, AND JAMIE LUNSFORD.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST HONORARY LIFE MEMBER FRANK MIZAK

PROTOCOL 101 – CONDUCT AT MEETINGS

The Grand Knight is the presiding officer of the council. When a member wishes to speak, he does so by rising from his seat, addressing the chair by saying “Worthy Grand Knight” and saluting at the same time. The Grand Knight will return the salute and acknowledge the member. Source: *Knights of Columbus Protocol Handbook 3/06*.

It is never proper to address the chair while sitting. In addition to showing a lack of knowledge of meeting protocol, it reflects a lack of respect for the chair.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP JOIN US!

Sometimes, the hardest thing about recruiting is taking the first step. Recruiting a new member can be as easy as asking him to join. Amazingly, many individuals haven't joined the Knights simply because they have never been asked to join. When the opportunity arrives, take the initiative and start a conversation with a potential prospect. It's the first step for recruiting on a one-on-one basis and can yield very positive results. ASK.



Please join us for our February Family Social on February 16th. We will be dining at Tony's at 6:00 PM. Let's show Tony's our thanks for the support that they provide the Knights! For more information regarding the Family Social, contact Dave McGuire at (252) 338-9619 or dnmcguire@inteliport.com.



Brothers,

Being new to community this year, I am seeking ideas that may be applicable to this area. If you have any desires, needs, or ideas for community programs that you would like to see happen at Holy Family, please contact me by phone, e-mail, or in person (I'm the choir boy at 10:15 Sunday Mass).

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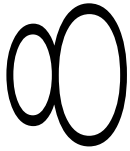
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GOD'S VOICE TODAY,
HARDEN NOT YOUR HEART!**

Vocations Are Everybody's Business



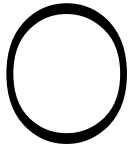
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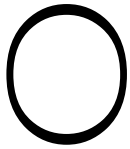
Member birthdays

- 2 A.JOSEPH LAMOTHE, PGK
- 6 DR CARLTON DEONANAN
- 16 MICHAEL PETRUNCIO
- 20 CHARLES MILLER
- 21 DANIEL TRAVERS
- 26 DR. REGIS DANDAR



Wives Birthdays

- 3 DR. VENUS DEONANAN
- 4 ANITA LAMOTHE
- 5 SHEILA LAWYER
- 7 JEAN CUOZZO
- 12 JOAN BACKO
- 13 JEAN NOLAN
- 17 WENDY MILLER
- 17 SYLVIA DELOS REYES
- 26 BARBARA BARCLAY



Anniversaries

- 4 GARY & BARBARA OVSAK
- 16 CHARLES & WENDY MILLER
- 21 HENRY & NETTIE DAIDONE
- 28 VICTOR & MARY NWAMARA



Grand Knight	Jim Riley 335-0474
Chaplain	Fr. Jim Buchholz 335-4419
Deputy Grand Knight	Doug Gardner 330-3535
Chancellor	Brian Denison 331-1927
Financial Secretary	PGK John Purcell 338-8369
Recorder	John McLaughlin 330-7120
Treasurer	Don Witosky 338-5739
Advocate	PGK Frank Willsey 264-2617
Warden	Ed Pelis 338-1989
Inside Guard	Brad Gardner 330-3535
Outside Guard	John Woodard III 267-6613
Lecturer	Rick Brooks 232-2133
Trustee 1 yr.	PGK Dave McGuire 338-9619
Trustee 2 yr.	PGK Joe Lamothe 335-1242
Trustee 3 yr.	PGK Jack Ireland 336-2436





INSURANCE CORNER

TAX TIME AGAIN

This month I chose to pass up the opportunity to use the age-old cliché about two things we must do... although the timing should certainly bring it to mind.

This season, in most homes, is financial accounting time. I'd like to wager that, at some point in the process, someone will ask (probably you!) "Where did all our money go?" Surely, all of the money we earn finds a home somewhere...the grocer, the mortgage, the taxman. Very little, if any, is left over for a personal bank account or other investments. Most of us consider ourselves fortunate if we've managed to pay our bills! Folks usually save what's left over... and for most folks, that's nothing.

The point is, whatever the amount earned, chances are good that it is spent providing for and rearing a family. Think about that for a minute. The needs of that family continue – food, shelter, clothing – even if the breadwinner suffers an untimely death.

So what does income tax have to do with insurance? Simply this...it can serve as a reminder that protection for dependents should include an estimate of the current needs for money. While it may be convenient to say "I can't afford it," that's probably not accurate – when you consider that your family will be without **any income** should you die.

With this in mind, your Order has designed a plan, which guarantees to continue income to your family as long as they will need it. What's more, this plan will enable you to systematically save some of those dollars so difficult to account for at tax time.

Call me today for an appointment. I want to hear from you.



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From the desk of...



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Vivat Jesus! We are hoping to have a Second Degree on February 15th if we have enough candidates.

Please be on the lookout for your council family dessert contest. The district family dessert contest is slated for February 24th (coinciding with the blood drive) at Holy Family.

-- Retention is the key to brotherhood. When was the last time you called a brother knight you have not

All KNIGHT'S LANTERN articles or reminders should be submitted by the 25th of each month for the following month's publication. Please submit to:

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If you would like to be added to the email distribution list, please let me know!!

Thanks!

Joe

The Chaplain's Column



Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, bless Your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those You have called to the married state and those You have chosen to live as single persons in the world the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of Your Son so that in Him, with Him and through Him we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Vocations Committee –
Supreme Council, Knights of Columbus

If you would like to submit any information to the Knight's Lantern, send it to Joe Richardson at the address above.

Remember to check the Knight's Lantern website www.geocities.com/knightslantern7547 around the first of every month for the latest issue.