



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

DECEMBER

- 1 – Christmas Parade
Eliz. City 10:00 AM
(Arrive @ 9:30)
- 5 – Council Meeting
(7:30 PM)
- 6 – 4TH Degree Meeting
(6:00 PM)
- 7 - Pearl Harbor Day
Eliz. City waterfront
- 13 – 4th Degree Assembly
Meeting (Albemarle
Plantation)
- 13&15 – Salvation Army
Bell Ringing
- 16-18 – Holy Family
Parish Mission
6:30 PM
- 25 - Christmas

JANUARY

- 9 – Council Meeting
(7:30 PM)
- 10 – 4th Degree Assembly
Meeting (6:00 PM)
- 19 – Mid-Year Meeting
Greenville NC Hilton

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



Join Us

GRAND KNIGHT'S GREETING VIVAT JESUS!

Brothers,

Another month has come to a close. The spaghetti dinner went off like Jack had done one before. The Memorial went off like it had military planning (I think Brother Dan may have some planning skills). Thanks to all who participated.

We have just celebrated Thanksgiving and are about to enter the Blessed and Merry Christmas Season. I would ask you to continue praying for our men and women in uniform and also for their families. When asked to head into the storm (some multiple times) they didn't hesitate, like our local heroes, the Coast guard. May God heap extra blessing on them and their families. Please keep them safe.

Remember it is "Merry Christmas" not "Happy Holidays." As Knights, we are honored to help in the Keep Christ in Christmas movement.

In that vein let us not forget the first Friday adoration, Dec. 7, and the Advent Mission, Dec 17-19, from 6:30-8:00 PM. Time spent with the Lord in preparation for the birth of his Son is time well spent.

THE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND YOUR GRAND KNIGHT WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU AND YOURS A BLESSED AND MERRY CHRISTMAS AND MAY 2008 BE THE BEST YEAR EVER!

Fraternally yours,

Jim J. Riley
JIM RILEY

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



Brothers - Don't forget that we are "Ringing The Bell" for the Salvation Army at Farm Fresh on Thurs. **December 13th** and Sat. **December 15th** from 9AM to 9 PM. Please sign up at the meeting on Dec. 5th or call PGK Jack Ireland at [336-2436](tel:336-2436). Please help fill the spots!

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.

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!

**CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP
IS FOR GROWN-UPS
LIKE YOU!**

Vocations Are Everybody's Business

HOSPITAL BED: The Council has available an electric hospital bed, this can be had by anyone with such a need, please contact the Grand Knight or Financial Secretary.

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



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



COLOR CORPS NEWS

We had a 3 man team for the Memorial Wreath Laying at Westlawn Cemetery on November 11th, consisting of SK's Jackson, J. Martin and F. Willsey. The ceremony was not as well attended as usual because it was held early on a Sunday afternoon and for many people conflicted with their church and usual Sunday activities.

A 5 man team was present for the "Memorial Mass" at Holy Family consisting of SK's Jackson, McGuire, W. Smith, J. Martin and F. Willsey. Was well received and we received many congratulations after the service.

We will next provide a Color Guard for the Annual Christmas Parade in Elizabeth City on December 1st. starting at 10:00 AM

We have promised our neighbor VFW Post 6060 a Color Guard for their annual Memorial Ceremony at Waterfront Park in Elizabeth City on "Pearl Harbor Day", December 7th. This ceremony starts at 7:15 AM.

Our Color Guard will not appear at the Christmas Parade in Edenton this year. The Edenton Council has decided not to participate; therefore there will not be any Knights of Columbus presence at this function.

VIVAT JESUS
Frank Willsey, PGK, PFN

HIGHWAY CLEANUP

Our quarterly highway cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, **December 8th**. We will meet at 8:00am at the Raper Plumbing parking lot on the Camden Highway. We will need at least 12 brother Knights to clean our 2 mile stretch. If you have any questions, call Don Witosky, Executive Vice-President of Highway Cleanup at **338-5739**.


MEMBERSHIP:

Christmas is fast approaching! Among the food, fun, presents and preparation, let us not forget the real reason for the season...the birth of Jesus Christ. It is the birth of God's only Son that we celebrate. It is a good time to recruit. Everyone is in a good mode. However, we got to ASK those young men, oh yes, don't forget the old timers to become a Knight. ASK. Merry Christmas.

Fraternally,

Rob Wetzel

Join Us



CHRISTMAS CARDS

Brother Jim Jackson is selling Christmas Cards after Both Masses. We have a large selection with cards in English, Spanish, Tagalog, French, Italian, Ukrainian, Polish, Native-American, and African-American. Some we don't have on hand but we can order and get them usually in two weeks at the most. Shop early and often.



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Member birthdays

12/02	Joseph Thomas
12/04	Michael Barber, PGK
12/10	Rev Francisco Garcia
12/12	Dr. Sidney M. Sutton
12/13	Brutus Jackson, Jr
12/14	Bro. Edward Handy
12/14	John McLaughlin
12/17	Lawrence Gatling
12/19	James Lucas
12/24	Paul Leone
12/26	C. Dorsey Harris
12/28	John Woodard, Jr
12/30	Drusiano Scerbo

Wives Birthdays

12/10	Angie Lamberson
12/12	Eunice Nwala
12/16	Mary Nwamara
12/20	Carroll Ames
12/20	Mapuana Jane Cerezo
12/23	Mary Lou Scaffa
12/24	Patsy Williams
12/24	Angela Boyd
12/25	Florine Fritz
12/30	CC Travers

Anniversaries

12/06	Joseph & Linda Lisowski
12/07	Russell & Lisa Hellstern
12/11	Jack & Dottie Ireland
12/11	Dave & Paula McGuire
12/17	Abelardo & Mapuana J.Cerezo
12/17	Francis & Carol Willsey
12/20	Emmanuel & Prudentia Ngwainmbi
12/22	Jack & Beccie Seaman
12/26	Jack & Lucy Martin
12/27	Douglas & Diana Gardner





December 2007



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
Keep Christ in Christmas						1 Christmas Parade Elizabeth City 10:00 AM	
2	3	4	5 Council Meeting 7:30 PM	6 4 th Degree Mtg 6:00 PM	7 Pearl Harbor Day Elizabeth City Waterfront	8	
9	10	11	12	13 Ring the Bell Farm Fresh 9AM-9PM 4 th Degree Assembly Albemarle Plantation	14	15 Ring the Bell Farm Fresh 9AM-9PM	
16 HOLY FAMILY PARISH MISSION 6:30 PM	17 HOLY FAMILY PARISH MISSION 6:30 PM	18 HOLY FAMILY PARISH MISSION 6:30 PM	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25 Christmas Day	26	27	28	29	
30	31	Always Carry a Form 100 					

Charity

Thanks to many people in the Food Bank's region, we were able to raise over \$37,300 during the Walk for Hunger this year. It took a team effort, and I sure am proud of our brothers and our parish for their contributions to helping to feed the hungry in northeast North Carolina.

- John McLaughlin



The 4th Degree Christmas Party will be held at the Albemarle Plantation on the 13th of December at 6:30 PM. That's a Thursday evening. We ask that all members bring a gift for a baby to support the Right to Life Movement. The gifts will be given to the Albemarle Crisis Pregnancy Center.

2007 SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY

Our annual report of volunteer hours of service and visits to the sick will be due in December. Please read the Survey form and start adding up your hours served. This report is important to keep IRS exemption status for the KofC.

20__ ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY INDIVIDUAL MEMBER WORKSHEET

Last year, the Knights of Columbus donated more than \$139.7 million to charitable and benevolent causes and 64 million hours of volunteer community service to aid the less fortunate. **To help prepare our Fraternal Survey for the Supreme Council office, please complete the information requested below and return it at our next meeting.** This information will assist us in determining the total number of hours of community service volunteered by our members during 20__.

1. Number of visits you made during 20__ to:

Sick — caring for the sick/nursing homes/hospitals

Bereaved — visits of condolence

2. Number of times you served as a blood donor during 20__

3. Estimated hours of community volunteer service during 20__:

Church Activities — service in all Church related activities

Community Activities — service in all community related activities

Youth Activities — service in all youth related activities

Habitat for Humanity — service in all related projects

Miscellaneous Activities — service in areas not outlined above

4. Number of hours of fraternal service during 20__:

Sick/disabled members and their families — household chores, transportation, tutoring, counselling, etc.



INSURANCE CORNER

SCROOGE DIDN'T BELIEVE

We can all remember the story of Scrooge and his failure to believe in the spirit of Christmas. To all but the Scrooges of the world, the celebration of the birth of Christ brings with it a warm feeling of family ties, a joy and a pleasure that our faith brings to others.

That same warm feeling comes from owning life insurance. Just knowing that, because of what you have planned, your loved ones will have joys and comforts for years to come if something should happen to you.

I don't think Scrooge would have believed in life insurance either, but men of good will do. And the world is a better place because of them. Through life insurance, they know that comfort and security will not be for only one day, but, instead, a gift that will provide for their loved ones for years to come.

This Christmas, give a gift of security and protection. Happy and Holy Holidays to all of you!

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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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Thanks!

Joe

The Chaplain's Column



Prayer to Know One's Vocation

Lord Jesus, up until now You have been quietly preparing me to be Your disciple. Now the time of preparation is ending. I seem to hear You say to me as You said once to Peter: "Will you also go away?" Peter replied, "Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

I stand with Peter. Through prayer and counsel, show me, Lord, where it is in Your vineyard that You want me to serve. Then give me the strength to be faithful.

Mary, Mother and Model, help me to respond in generous love to the call of your divine Son.

God Bless,

Father Jim