



PRINCE OF PEACE—COUNCIL 7909 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

February, 2006 Newsletter

www.KofC7909.org

Officers

Grand Knight

Brian Miller 397-9716

Chaplain

Father Frank Burger
764-6115

Deputy Grand Knight

Tony Martini 829-8255

Chancellor

Harold Colston 829-3726

Recorder

Bob Davis 782-0135

Financial Secretary

Craig Reed 764-2071

Lecturer

Mike Grothoff 780-0208

Treasurer

Chuck Winter 764-6072

Advocate

Tommy Negrete 780-3034

Warden

David Tout 782-6638

Inside Guards

Dennis Meahan 780-5332

Robert Plant 791-0102

Outside Guards

Steve Smith

Doug Svatos 829-9411

Trustees

1: *John Kimmi* 768-6840

2: *Chuck Dierks* 780-4152

3: *George Martin* 782-4635

A Message from the Grand Knight



Grand Knight
Brian Miller

We have nearly survived the long winter and spring is just around the corner. We begin our Lenten season in a few days and we have a very busy schedule to cover. I encourage you to participate in the Fish Fry and the Pro-Life Sausage Sale as much as possible. However I think we all need to take care we do not get so busy that we forget the main purpose of our Lenten observance.

A person's private and individual sacrifices can and do go a long way in preparing our hearts for the celebration of Easter. As you know we observe Lent as a way to honor the sacrifice of our Savior. We also "give things up" to commemorate the 40 days that Jesus fasted in the desert living on manna and water provided by his heavenly Father - so should we bear our small sacrifices with the promise of God's grace as our strength.

Harold Colston and I attended the Kansans for Life Dinner on February 16th, we were both very moved by the presentation of the evening. I was very heartened to learn that for the first time that I can remember, we may be very close to seeing the reversal of *Roe v. Wade*. Now is not the time to rest on our laurels. This is the time to increase all the pressure that we can bear upon our government to set aside ridiculous court rulings and have an open and honest debate on the rights of the unborn and the sanctity of human life.

Vivat Jesus,
Brian D. Miller, Grand Knight

Help Wanted:

- Donut Sunday—stop by after any Sunday mass for cleanup and other things to do.
- Pro-Life Sausage Sales is starting soon. Surprise Pro-Life Director Randy Bolz - call him first to see how you can help!
- Youth Director Troy Mills is actively organizing our council's first K of C Soccer challenge. Call Troy to help get this program up and running.
- Fish Fry is every Friday evening from March 3rd through April 7. There's lots to do each week—give Steve Smith a call help out.

Important Names/Numbers



Knights of Columbus Field Agent

Kirby E. Schmelzle, FIC
(785) 830-9019

Membership Director

Gary Burnett, Sr. 940-9310

Program Director

Tony Martini 829-8255

Community Director

Allen Shulfer 397-7677

Pro-Life Director

Randy Bolz 782-2665

Council Director

Tommy Negrete 488-0370

Family Director

Robert Plant 791-0102

Youth Director

Troy Mills 829-9088

Church Director

Frank Feindel 829-5867

Newsletter Editor

Ron Schieffer 530-6343
schieffer@yahoo.com

Public Relations / Web

Doug Svatos 829-9411

Mike Hernandez 782-4260

First Degree Team

Mike Grothoff 780-0208

Congratulations to the Family of the Month for February The Britt Family

Frank is a long time member of the Knights. He is a strong supporter of Prince of Peace CYO. In the fall Frank oversees the football field for the CYO games. In the winter and spring Frank spends Saturdays and Sundays at POP's gym overseeing CYO basketball. You can find his kids helping at the games by working the scoreboard or the concession stand. Frank and his family spend many weekends making sure the CYO is a good experience for our kids. Congratulations Britt family!

Congratulations to the Knight of the Month for February John Rueger

John has been a Knight since 2004 and he seems to pop up at most every event we've had since he's been with us. Many thanks to John's wife, Carrie, for allowing us to "borrow" him for a few hours at a time. In addition to his good works to our council, John serves in the National Guard. Congratulations and thanks John!

As iron sharpens iron so one man sharpens another (Proverbs 27:17)

If you have been reading the local bulletins here in the diocese lately, you are aware of the "Men Under Construction" event taking place in March in Overland Park. As this newsletter goes to print, the reservation date for this event has passed. Our Church Director, Frank Feindel would, however, like to find out if there is enough interest in our council to put together a similar workshop of our own. This would probably be a full or half day retreat-like event that would allow Brother Knights and possibly other men from the parish to fellowship, learn and praise together.

If you are interested, please contact Frank to let him know. If the response indicates enough interest, planning for this retreat could begin soon.

-Ron Schieffer

Knights of Columbus District Free Throw Results

Congratulations to the following contestants from Prince of Peace council:

Ellen
O'Rourke,
Age 10

Jennifer Salva,
Age 13

Morgan Hall,
Age 14

Christopher
Lasiter,
Age 13

Kyle Larson,
Age 14

Your
continued
support is
appreciated as

these competitors head to the Regional Free Throw Competition in February.



-Ron Schieffer

March 2006

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for February:
 General: That the International Community
 may be ever more aware of the urgent duty to
 bring an end to the trafficking of human beings.

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1 <u>Ash Wednesday</u>	2	3 Lenten Fish Fry	4
5 Donut Sunday State Freethrow Contest in Salina	6	7	8	9	10 Lenten Fish Fry	11
12 Donut Sunday Corporate Communion— 7:30 am Mass Reg. Mtg—8:30 am—St. Mark's room	13 Fourth Degree Knights meeting @ St. Paul's— 7:30 pm	14	15	16	17 <u>St. Patrick's Day</u> Lenten Fish Fry	18
<u>Special Olympics Basketball Tournament in Hays, KS</u>						
19 Donut Sunday	20 Spring Begins Rosary—7:00 pm—Teacher's Lounge Bus. Mtg—7:30 pm—St. Mark's room	21	22	23	24 <u>K of C Day of the Unborn Child</u> Lenten Fish Fry	25 <u>The Annunciation of the Lord</u>
26 Donut Sunday	27	28	29 <u>K of C Founder's Day</u> 124th Anniversary	30	31 Lenten Fish Fry	

April 2006

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for February:
 Mission: That in the Missions the lay faithful may recognize the need to serve their own country with greater commitment also in its political and social life.

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

						1 Frank's Spaghetti House 5 & 6 pm
2 Donut Sunday 2nd/3rd Degree @ Good Shepherd Daylight Savings Time begins	3	4	5	6	7 Lenten Fish Fry	8
9 <u>Palm Sunday</u> Donut Sunday Corporate Communion— 7:30 am Mass Reg. Mtg—8:30 am—St. Mark's room	10 Fourth Degree Knights meeting @ St. Paul's— 7:30 pm	11	12	13 <u>Holy Thursday</u>	14 <u>Good Friday</u>	15 <u>Holy Saturday</u>
16 <u>Easter Sunday</u>	20 Rosary—7:00 pm—Teacher's Lounge Bus. Mtg—7:30 pm—St. Mark's room	18	19	20	21	22
23 Donut Sunday	24	25	26 Prince of Peace Confirmation (Honor Guard requested)	27 Prince of Peace Confirmation (Honor Guard requested)	28	29 Kansas State Convention begins
30 Donut Sunday						

Long Term Care—Value Added Services Available

Since its addition to the Order's product portfolio in 2000, long-term care insurance has provided us with an excellent opportunity to further serve Knights and their families. And for our long-term care clients in the United States, a K of C Care policy brings added value.

That added value is in the form of a service called "Provider Pathway," a program offering access to a network of long-term care providers at discounted rates. The network covers: home health care, personal emergency response systems, adult day care, assisted living, skilled nursing facilities and durable medical equipment.

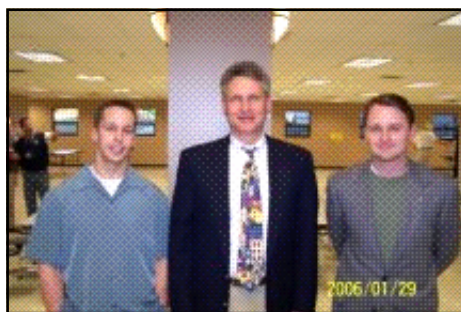
Eligibility for participation in this program is open to Knights of Columbus Long Term Care Insurance policyholders, their spouses, dependent children, parents and parents-in-law. All providers are fully credentialed and meet state licensing requirements.

If you are not currently an LTC policyholder and you would like more information on how you can avail yourself of this benefit, give me a call.

- Kirby Schmelzle, (785) 830-9019

Congrats to new 3rd Degree Members

Let's provide a hearty congrats to these noble four who took some time out of their busy schedules on January 29th to become Third Degree Knights of Columbus!



Andrew Hills	Tony Winslow	Travis Noble
--------------	--------------	--------------



Father Balachandra

Father Balachandra Miriyala, Andrew Hills, Tony Winslow and Travis Noble were present for both the Second and Third Degrees and were excited to have completed the journey. Congrats to all!

-Gary Burnett, Sr.

What's in a Name?

Our council newsletter continues to evolve and I believe that it's time to give it a real name. We have local newspapers with names like *The Olathe News*, *The Gardner Graphic*, and *The Kansas City Star*, so what shall we call our council newsletter? I'm looking for options.

If you have an idea that you think would be appropriate, please let me know. No prizes will be awarded; no royalties will be paid. You just get the satisfaction of knowing that you contributed to making our council a little bit better (and maybe a note of recognition and thanks in the first "named" newsletter). Send me an email (schieffr@yahoo.com) or call me (913-530-6343) with your idea.

-Ron Schieffer

Lenten Fish Fry Update

Time again to kickoff our celebration of the Lenten season with our largest fundraiser, the six week fish fry/bake and shrimp boil extravaganza. We need your help again as loads of manpower is needed. The fish fry begins on Friday, March 3rd so we have a short time to pull this together.

Take a look at your calendar and tell us where you can help. There are plenty of opportunities and dates available. Sign up for each week if you can. We especially want to invite all you guys who have not been as active in our events for a while. Come on back, reconnect and have some fun. We guarantee you will be hard pressed to find a better man-made meal. And for the guys who have joined over the past year, we really want to see you!

Remember this. If every brother knight gave just 18 hours of time per year we would be "golden". The same 60 guys cannot carry the entire load of a council with 400+ members.

The success of our council's fundraising is directly attributable to the level of your commitment and effort. Thanks in advance for lending us just a few hours to support the needs of our parish community.

Email Steve Smith at smsmith4@sbcglobal.net or call him if you have work assignment questions. His home number is 913-782-2043.

- Steve Smith

2006 Kansas State Convention



The theme for the convention is “TOGETHER, Big or Small...We Do It All”. This simple statement sums up the Kansas Knights of Columbus in several ways. First we want to focus on the lesson of Unity. Knights in Kansas exemplify this principle as we have been able to make a real difference in the lives of those in our churches, councils and communities. Kansas Knights do so as a unified group everyday.

Also, the committee recognizes there are a wide variety of councils in our great state. Whether the council is from a rural area or a large metropolis, Knights from Kansas ignore their differences to accomplish

everything they set their sights on. Farmers and corporate executives belong to councils across the state; using their variety of talents to serve our Lord.

The convention will be in Topeka beginning April 28, 2006 and concluding May 1, 2006. The Holiday Inn will be the convention site with various locations throughout the city being used for other convention activities. The committee has planned many exciting activities for both Knights and Ladies alike. We hope you set your expectations high as we intend to give you a weekend you will never forget!

(from www.topekaconvention.com)
-Chris Olson, Chairman
2006 Convention Committee

Degree Team Members Wanted

The council is looking for Brother Knights to serve as First Degree team members. There are spots available for all roles in the First Degree. All roles require memorization however some roles

require very little while others are more demanding. Please don't allow the requirement to memorize your part deter you if you wish to serve in this capacity—it really is easier than you think.

It is a very rewarding service to the council and the Knights of Columbus. Through your work on the First Degree you will help to form the first impressions of our Order for new members.

If you are interested in learning more about First Degree work contact Mike Grothoff at 780-0208.

- Mike Grothoff

Frank's Spaghetti House

Help send our PoP youth on a pilgrimage to Rome. On April 1st, they will be serving dinner including: spaghetti, salad, desserts and beverages to raise money. You can help—seatings will be at 5 and 6 pm and the cost will be just \$7.00 per person.

- Bill Adams

742. o N T I M R E P
26066 S K e h t a l O
PAID
U.S. Postage
nöt azi nagr Oif or P no N

det se uqe Ređ ve S r r u t e R
26066 S K e h t a l O
teert S d r 341tse W00061
sub ml o Cf ost hg n K
hcr uh Ceca e Pf o ec nr P