



KNIGHTLY NEWS

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A Message from the Grand Knight



Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

We are now entering the home stretch of 2008 year. We have added a new event, the taco fiesta, after the 5 o'clock mass on October 4th. Tootsie Rolls will be on October 10th, 11th, 12th at Hy-Vee, and Wal-Mart. Please contact Rob Couch for the time, date, and place you can help.

The Fall Craft Market will be on October 17th, 18th, 19th, and we are going to need a lot of help to make this event a success. Please contact Steve Smith or Bob Davis for the time, and day you can help. There are a lot of areas that we'll cover, so we're going to need a lot of help.

The Veterans' dinner is going to be on November 8th after the 5 o'clock mass anyone that can help with that please contact Pete Negrete for further details. Casino Knight (or is it Night) is also around the corner and will be on November 15th. More details on that will come next month.

I would like to thank David Tout, and Steve Smith for the time that they put in cleaning the back room. We all need to do our part and keep it clean. I would also like to thank the mowing crew for all the hard work that they have put in this year. The parish grounds have looked fantastic all year, so thank you to everyone who put in their time.

October is our membership blitz month! On the weekend of the 11th, & 12th we will be doing the pulpit announcements, passing out cards to men as they walk into church, and we will be there to answer any questions they may have.

Thank you to everyone that has made this year a success so far. Keep up the good work.

Vivat Jesus,
Tommy Negrete, Grand Knight

Fiesta Feast

We sold tickets for the Fiesta Feast after Masses on September 26/27. Now we need help on Saturday, October 4th after the 5 o'clock mass for setup, kitchen, and cleanup. Contact Doug Svatos @svatos@sbcglobal.net.



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Congratulations to Father Frank, 7909's Knight of the month.

From Rich St. Clair, Council Director

Congratulations to Father Frank - Knight of the Month. Besides being our Faithful rock and leader of the Prince of Peace family, Father Frank is a dedicated Knight as well. He spends many an early morning cooking for our fundraisers (Old Settler's is a great example). His tireless efforts of helping the Knights, along with his regular job of leading the faithful, is why he is the Knight of the Month.

Congratulations to the Ron and Elizabeth Berg Family, 7909's Family of the Month

From Bob Plant, Family Director

Congratulations to Ron and Elizabeth Berg as Family of the Month for September. Ron and his son-in-law were a tremendous help during taco prep for Old Settler's Day. Even with Ron's illness, Ron wanted to help support the council. Ron helped update the council's roster by calling numerous council members.

Thanks again to the Berg Family and their support of Council 7909.

The F/S Corner

By Ed Beck, Financial Secretary

Watch for your dues statement later this month. For 2009, the dues remain \$25 and are due by December 31, 2008. It will come to you on a **postcard** -- please, return the postcard with your dues so they will be correctly recorded.

Now, there is another bit of good news. I will be personally paying the 2010 dues for four lucky persons who have returned their 2009 dues by December 31, 2008. Yes, four members names will be drawn at our Christmas dinner party (held January 10th), **and those four members will not owe any 2010 dues!! That is really one chance in a hundred (or less) that you will win – compare those odds with Powerball!! All you have to do to qualify is return your dues payment before December 31st --- and you are entered.** That is almost as easy as spiking the egg nog!! Nothing could be easier.....

Hunter Education Classes

Submitted by Phil Kaminski

Hunter Education class available on October 18th & 19th for youths 11-years and older including adults. Saturday registration at 7:30am-class 8:00 til 4:30 pm. Sunday class 1:00pm til 4:30pm. Saturday bring a sack lunch & something to drink. Classes will be held indoors & outdoors Rain or Sunshine so bring proper clothing There will be live fire on Saturday, rifles & ammo supplied by the class. DO NOT bring any of your own guns or ammo! Attendance at both sessions is required . Class to be held at:Tri-County Rod & Gun Club,18573 Stillwell Dr. Linwood, Ks. 913-301-3376. Stillwell Dr. is off of K32 hwy about 6 miles West of Bonner Springs,Ks. Turn right, go West 1.2 miles turn left at sign.

**October 2008 -
Respect Life Month**

Holy Father's intentions for the Month of October:

The general intention - That the Synod of Bishops may help all those engaged in the service of the Word of God to transmit the truth of faith courageously in communion with the entire Church. *The mission intention* -- That in this month dedicated to the missions, every Christian community may feel the need to participate in the universal mission with prayer, sacrifice, and concrete help.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 - Fiesta Feast after 5 pm mass - Call Doug Svatos
5 - Donut Sunday - Call Gene T. or Bob Plant	6	7	8	9	10 - Tootsie Rolls - call Rob Couch	11 - Tootsie Rolls - call Rob Couch
12- Donut Sunday - Call Gene T. or Bob Plant Tootsie Rolls - call Rob Couch O&D meeting after 7:30 mass	13	14	15	16	17	18 - Tentative date for youth soccer challenge - call Troy Mills
19	20 - Regular Monthly meeting 7:30 p.m. - Rosary starts at 7:10 p.m.	21	22	23	24	25- Tentative date for Altar Server/Youth Choir appreciation day - call Troy Mills
26- Donut Sunday - Call Gene T. or Bob Plant	27	28	29	30	31	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

From Tommy and the entire KofC#7909 Family!

Shawn Klingele	10/1 Pete Negrete	10/8 Bradley Speck	10/14 Christopher Wolsleger	10/22
Richard Michalski	10/1 Kim Harders	10/9 Glenn Huffman	10/17 Clair Henderson	10/23
Paul Oberrieder	10/1 Jerry Widmer	10/10 Richard Newallis	10/17 John Kimmi	10/23
Mark Poelzl	10/2 Bill Adams	10/12 Christopher Porter	10/18 Aaron Hass	10/24
Anthony Ganss	10/3 Edward Cameron	10/12 Joseph Quilty	10/19 Greg Gangel	10/25
Jason Davis	10/4 David Sandberg	10/12 Michael Ficken	10/20 James Gardner	10/25
Joe Voda	10/4 Harlan May	10/13 Bradlin Ellis	10/22 James Hausauer	10/26
Robert Couch	10/5 Steve Johnson	10/14 Michael Raunig	10/22 Rick Vanderslice	10/30
Patic Rademaker	10/7 Eric Kraft	10/14 John Thomas	10/22 Michael Best	10/31

Upcoming Events:

Fiesta Feast	Oct 4	Call Doug Svatos (See write-up)
Tootsie Rolls	Oct 10, 11, 12	Call Rob Couch -- (see write-up)
First Degree	Oct 12	1 p.m.
Youth Soccer Challenge	Oct 18	Call Troy Mills
Fall Craft Market	Oct 16-19	Call Bob Davis or Steve Smith
Youth appreciation day	Oct 25	Call Troy Mills
Casino Knight	Nov 15 th	Call Tommy Negrete

What You Missed (at the last meeting)

Compiled by Gene Thomeczek

- ⇒ Taco Fiesta Fest will be after the 5 o'clock mass Saturday 10/4
- ⇒ Next 1st degree will be October 12
- ⇒ Tootsie roll distribution will be at Wal-Mart and HyVee weekend of 10/10-12
- ⇒ Troy Mills announced two youth activities -- the soccer challenge and the Youth appreciation day
- ⇒ Phil Kaminski reported the Hunter Safety course being taught 10/18-19
- ⇒ Manpower will be needed for Fall Craft Marketplace weekend of 10/18-19
- ⇒ KofC #7909 will join St. Paul's council in bid for 2012 State Convention
- ⇒ The freezers have been moved to the garage. We can temporarily store items in the Knight's freezer in the kitchen.
- ⇒ Tommy N. announced info re the Pickering golf tournament - call him for details.
- ⇒ The Dinner for Veteran's day will be in conjunction with the Friends of St. Anthony in November
- ⇒ The Council will donate \$500 to a parish family in dire need.
- ⇒ BBQ contest among K of C members at next meeting. Bring your bib, appetite and honest opinion.

Good of the Order

Submitted by Ryan Brotherson,

Following up on the article by Don Wagner, in last month's newsletter, To help end confusion caused by recent misrepresentations of Catholic Church teaching on abortion, the U.S. bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities has issued a two-page fact sheet called "Respect for Unborn Human Life: The Church's Constant Teaching." Public debate on the topic was prompted by misleading remarks by the Speaker of the House during an August 24 interview on Meet the Press. During the course of this interview the Speaker misrepresented the history and nature of the authentic teaching of the Catholic Church against abortion. In fact, the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches, "Since the first century the Church has affirmed the moral evil of every procured abortion. This teaching has not changed and remains unchangeable. Direct abortion is gravely contrary to the moral law." Among other points, the fact sheet states that "modern science has not changed the Church's constant teaching against abortion, but has underscored how important and reasonable it is, by confirming that the life of each individual of the human species begins with the earliest embryo."

The full text of "Respect for Unborn Human Life: The Church's Constant Teaching" is available online at www.usccb.org/prolife/constantchurchteaching.shtml.

*** TOOTSIE ROLL HELP NEEDED ***

Our annual Tootsie Roll Drive is quickly approaching. The dates this year are October 10th, 11th, and 12th. We are handing out Tootsie Rolls at Hy-Vee and after masses, along with a limited stint at Wal-Mart. The TrailBlazers will be working with us Saturday at Hy-Vee. What a great opportunity to get to know some of the kids we're trying to help financially! George, thanks for helping coordinate this great effort again this year.

If you've already signed up - Thank You. If you can work please take a look at the sign-up sheet posted on our website or contact me at (816) 560-7192 or randccouch@sbglobal.net. Your help is greatly appreciated.



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Insurance

Knights of Columbus insurance has been "Making a Difference for Life" for more than 120 years. Since our founding in 1882, our primary mission has been to protect families against the financial ruin caused by the death of the breadwinner. Today we do this, and help families secure their financial futures, through our top-rated portfolio of life insurance, long term care insurance and annuity products.

Statement from Supreme on Financial Services Markets and the Knights of Columbus

Submitted by Ron Schieffer

The upheaval in the financial markets in recent days has caused a great deal of concern virtually everywhere, among financial services professionals, regulators and consumers alike. Every major financial institution has been affected by the turmoil because of the complexity of our economy, and we are no exception. But I report to you today that there is no reason to be concerned about the value of your Knights of Columbus annuity or life insurance. Because of our very conservative approach to investing our \$14 billion in assets, the impact on the Knights of Columbus has not been material, in other words, it has been minimal – far smaller than for many other organizations and the industry as a whole. We have purposefully avoided investing in the highly complex and speculative investments that have brought disaster to some of America's most well known companies.

Knights of Columbus Honor Guard Information / Training Sessions

submitted by Doug Svatos

October 15, 2008 and October 22, 2008
7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

Sacred Heart Parish Meeting Room # 1
5501 Monticello Road
(Corner Of Johnson Drive And Monticello Road)
Shawnee, Kansas
An Opportunity For:

Existing Honor Guard Members To Practice;
New Honor Guard Members To Learn;
Fourth Degree Knights To Ask Questions About Joining The Honor Guard.
For Additional Information, Contact Art Ercolani At 764-3190

NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN DAY IS SUNDAY, OCT. 5TH, 2008

In Kansas City, Lifechain will be held on Sunday, October 12 from 1:30 to 2:30 pm on 95th Street Stateline Road to Quivira Road in Overland Park (7 miles)! Signs can be picked up from the Kansans for Life office and will also be available on Lifechain day on 95th Street at Quivira, Antioch, Nall and Mission Roads. Lifechain is a national effort where pro-life citizens stand along a well-traveled route for one hour, holding pre-made signs and praying for an end to abortion. Our prayer is that those witnessing the Life Chains will have their minds opened to the fact that many of their friends and neighbors are trying to draw attention to the holocaust going on in our nation, and that they will join us in praying and taking action to stop abortion and to help pregnant women!

To find out more about what Lifechain is and what the objectives are go to www.lifechain.com. Father Frank's message in this weekends bulletin...."FROM THE PASTOR; On Sunday, October 12, thousands of Life Chains will cover our nation. Over 70 of those Life Chains, involving 1,000 Churches will be in Kansas. . . . Life Chain is one of most positive pro-life events that Kansans for Life sponsors. It is impossible to know how many hearts are changed by the chain. Life Chain is a silent, prayerful demonstration of our concern for the respect for all human life from conception to death. A sign-up sheet is available in the Gathering Area to acknowledge your participation in Life Chain this year.

Welcome New Knights

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