

KC
Newsletter



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN LIFE...

January 2011

MEETINGS

Council Meeting is on Wednesday, January 19th, beginning at 7 PM. **First Degree Ceremony**

Officers Meeting is on Wednesday, February 2nd, beginning at 7 PM.

Knight of the Month - Tom Foster

We thank Tom for introducing and completing the initial purchase of 250 books to be distributed to our Parish. The first book, distributed at Christmas Masses, is titled Rediscovering Catholicism by Matthew Kelly.

Family of the Month - Denise and Guy Starbuck

Both members of St. John's Church, Guy became a 1st Degree Knight last October 26th and has taken part in the Great Adventure Bible Study. Denise is a member of the Care Team Ministry at St. John's. She also teaches in the Children's Liturgy program. Both are members of the Mystery Dinner Group.

Knight of the Year - Dennis Hampton

Dennis currently serves as our Deputy Grand Knight and co-chairs our pancake breakfasts. Due to his efforts, our council continues to be a very successful organization.

Holiday Raffle Tickets - Last month we sent 3 tickets per member with your Annual Membership Dues notice. Please fill out the stubs and return with you payment - 1) collection basket at Mass, 2) school or parish office, 3) Neil's Liquor, or 4) K of C, PO Box 322, Waunakee. Winners will be drawn January 27. Please contact Mike Siehoff at 849-6155 with any questions.

Membership Dues Notice

Please pay by the end of January. We encourage everyone to support the "Penny a Knight a Day" and the "Culture of Life Fund". Thank you for your support! Contact Bob Zellner 849-8559 with any questions.

K of C Christmas Party

Our 2010 Christmas party was a joyous way to begin the Christmas season. Many thanks to everyone who helped organize and to everyone who was able to attend. Special thanks to Steve Geishirt and Bob Klinger for the entertainment and Rex's for the wonderful food.

2010 Christmas Poster Contest - December 30

This year's theme was "The True Meaning of Christmas". This year we had a total of 109 participants from grades 1 to 4 at St. John's School. The following first place winners are eligible for the diocesan competition:
Grade One - Willa Peterson (David)
Grade Two - Alli Lenling (Bill)
Grade Three - Ella Peterson (David)
Grade Four - Elizabeth Soper (Brian)

Recycle for Wisconsin Special Olympics

Our council generated \$145 recycling income last year as a result of recycling cell phones and inkjets. This has been a very worthwhile program for our council but in the future, all of our donated items will be forwarded to St. John's School to benefit their fundraising program.

Membership Recruitment and First Degree

January is our most important month of the year for our council's membership recruitment. The weekend of January 15th and 16th, we will have K of C members speaking after mass and we will have council representatives in the Narthex after all masses.

On January 19th, we will be conducting the First Degree.

We have a dedicated membership committee lead by Marshall Frey and Ed Gilkes, and we have the best recruiting team, we the members of our council. If you have a neighbor, friend or family member that should be a Knight, please invite them to learn more about the Knights of Columbus. Please contact Marshall, Ed or me for more information. The 'Join Today' brochures will be available.

K of C Annual Pancake Breakfast - Sunday, January 30th

In conjunction with the Catholic Schools Week, we will be hosting our annual Pancake Breakfast again. For work assignments, please contact Ed Gilkes (849-6596) or Dennis Hampton (849-8028).

Charity Raffle

You will be receiving this year's State Charity Raffle tickets by mail. Total prizes will be \$135,000. The proceeds from this raffle are used to help support your brother Knights and other members of our community to alleviate sorrow, ease financial burdens and restore hope to victims and families of accidents and illness. Tickets can be mailed or dropped off at Neil's Liquor. Drawing to be held April 30th. Please contact Paul Endres (235-2814) for more information.

38th Annual March for Life - Jan. 24th, Washington, D.C.

The march commemorates the anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's infamous *Roe v. Wade* decision on Jan. 22, 1973 that legalized abortion. Please visit marchforlife.org.

Knowledge Contest - Council level completed by February 16th. Diocesan level completed by March 20. Our lead is Brad Patzner 849-5442.

State Bowling Tournament - February 19th - April 3rd
Held in Green Bay this year. Entries close on January 1st, 2011. Please call James Haag (849-7168) or email Jim at jjhaag2003@yahoo.com.

KC Men's Basketball - Thursdays 8 PM

Please join us for our traditional pick-up basketball night on Thursdays at St. John's gym. Rick Maier 849-7412

Upcoming Degree Dates

Fourth Degree - April 9, 2011 - Appleton (Eastern District)
May 21, 2011 - New Richmond (Western District)

Rosary - Thursday at the Waunakee Manor 6:15 PM - Vince Endres 849-5769.

Happy New Year!

Rick Raemisch, Grand Knight
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I have swept away your sins like a cloud. Comeback to me; I am the one who saves you.

~ Isaiah 44:22

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Knights in Action

Would you like to help your neighbors? We are forming a group of people that will do household chores for people that cannot do them themselves. For instance, we are planning to begin by helping out with clearing snow and raking yards. If we get enough helpers, we may expand into other small jobs, such as help with painting, small repairs, and other household chores. Everyone is welcome to help out. You can include other family members, such as kids, to show them how we help others. If you are interested or would like more information, contact Ed Gilkes by email: ersdgbadgers@tds.net by phone: (849-6596)

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