



Knightslife

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Council Calendar

1st Tuesday 7:30 Officers' Meeting rm. 107
 2nd Tuesday 7:30 Business Meeting rm. 107

Dec 2	Capital Towers (Hast)
Dec 5	Officer/Director Meeting (Lueck)
Dec 5	Keep Christ in Christmas Tree (Gunther)
Dec 9	Knights Christmas Party Lewis Room
Dec 9	Advent Breakfast on Dec. 9
Dec 12	Business Meeting (Lueck)
Dec 17	Food Baskets – Raphael Hall
Dec 25	Christmas
Jan 1	New Year 2007
Jan 3	Officer/Director Meeting (Lueck)
Jan 5-7	K of C Mid Year Meeting, Charlotte
Jan 10	Business Meeting (Lueck)
Jan 17	Pancake Breakfast, Lewis Room

Officers

Grand Knight: Jim Lueck
 Deputy Grand Knight: Bill Wolf
 Chancellor: Don Stamegna
 Warden: Gilbert Hendricks
 Recorder: Dave Demo
 Treasurer: Ed Cody
 Financial Secretary: Joe Foley
 Outside Guard: Jim Cody
 Inside Guard: Jim Welte
 Advocate: John Harrod
 1st year Trustee: Tom Smith
 2nd year Trustee: Mark Parrish
 3rd year Trustee: Gordon Perry

Grand Knight

Worthy Brothers,
 These past few weeks have been very busy. I hope everyone had good Thanksgiving. At our last business meeting we held elections to install new officers in the positions of Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, and Chancellor. The meeting minutes are published on our website www.kofc9880.org.

I would like to thank everyone who helped with the gathering, sorting and distribution of the Thanksgiving food baskets. It was a tremendous amount of food, and a tremendous amount of volunteers, some cub scouts (St Raphael's pack) helped also. There are a lot of activities through the month of December, and the saying "many hands make light the work". When you



help at the school, church, Raphael hall in front of Big K, remember to wear your Knights badge, it identifies you as a Knights of Columbus and people will be able to address you by your name. If you need a name badge, let me, or any council officer know, and we will get you a badge.

This Council, 9880, does make a difference, at almost every turn the St Raphael's parishioner sees our members, active in numerous activities from pancake breakfasts, helping at the school fair, among just a few, and our members are becoming more familiar, lets keep up the presence, the more knights the better.

Vivat Jesus, Jim Lueck, Grand Knight

Deputy Grand Knight/Programs

I hope the holidays are not too stressful on everyone! This is my first writing to you as Deputy Grand Knight and the leadership may have changed, with Brian relocating for a new job, but the mission of the Knights has not changed: Charity and Service to the knights, our families, our church and our community. Here are some events to get involved in and see our website at www.kofc9880.org



Dec 2: Capital Towers 9AM

We assist some of the seniors with whatever "Chores" they wish and usually this entails flipping mattresses etc. It normally lasts about an hour. Come give them a boost and remember this event normally happens on the First Saturday of each month so mark your calendars now! Contact Bill Hast at signalb@juno.com.

Dec 5: Officers and Directors Meeting, 7pm, Rm 107

Dec 9: Christmas Party: 6:30 PM Lewis Room

I would like to remind all of you that our Christmas Party is scheduled for Dec 9th following the 5:30pm mass in the Lewis room. This event is open to all Knights and family and is no cost to you. We will be providing and cooking 2 turkeys and all we ask is that you bring a side dish or a dessert to share with everyone else. We also ask that you dress semi-formal attire.

There will be a white elephant gift exchange and each family that wishes to participate should bring a wrapped gift with a value of around \$15. Gift certificates by themselves are discouraged but if it with another item then that is fine. For example, a gift certificate to Starbucks together with a coffee mug and coffee would

be OK. The gift should not say who it is from and should be completely wrapped so that it can not be guessed. In a random order, when your number is called, you will have the opportunity to either take an unopened gift from the table or steal a gift from someone else. A gift can not be stolen more than 3 times. This continues until the last gift is opened.

If you are planning on attending this event please contact Bill Wolf at (919) 847-3777 or email and indicate how many people are attending, what side dish you plan on bringing, and if you are participating in the White Elephant Gift Exchange.

Dec 12: Business Meeting, 7:30PM Room 107

Dec 17: Christmas Baskets, 8:00Am – 6:00 PM Raphael Hall

This is the day that we will be putting the food baskets together and handing them out to the families. We will need 10 Knights (family members are welcomed too!) from 8:00AM – 12:00PM to put together the bags. From 12:00PM to 6:00PM we will need 2-3 Knights at Raphael Hall to hand out the bags. Please contact Jim Lueck at 919-707-5975 or email.

Pancake Breakfast: Jan 17 7:30AM – 2PM Lewis Room

With the New Year we are starting up the pancake breakfasts on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Come on out and support the Knights by helping cook breakfast for the parishioners. Mark your calendars as this event is normally the 3rd Sunday of each month.

Lenten Fish Fry:

Keep in mind that the Lenten Fish Fry is our biggest event of the year and we continue the tradition as people have raved about it! Make sure you join the fun!!

Vivat Jesus, Bill Wolf, Dep. Grand Knight

Raffle

The first of three raffles conducted by our parish Knights of Columbus to bolster their funding of St Raphael School Scholarships was held on November 1st. The winners are:

Scott & Mia Washle, Joseph Giallo, Angel Rodgers, Ed Cody, Daniel Butler, Ernie Beauregard, Karen Flanary, Pat Abel, Claudia Irvin, Sharon & Leonard Nelson, Dennis & Sarah Lynch (2), Tony Kimer, Crystal Finnegan, Carol Baverstock, Gene Knight, John & Linda Lenzmeier, Douglas Sweigard, Marie Vassallo, Joe & Susan Hoying



The next drawings will take place on November 21st and December 6th. For ticket information, please contact any knight or Ed Cody @ 782-1215.

Keep Christ in Christmas Tree

We are continuing the tradition of putting up a Christmas tree of lights to remind people to keep Christ in Christmas. John Gunther is the lead on this project but he needs our help! He is available to install the tree preferably on Tuesday December 5th during the day. We will need 3-4 Knights to assist. This project has great visibility and is a tradition at St. Raphael's.



Please contact John at jjgun@bellsouth.net if you can do it, or if you can suggest another day and time that may work.

Operation Lamb Results

Bill Hast reports that Operation Lamb was successful. Here are the results (Oct 6-8 and Nov 29-Dec 1):

Tom Smith (2 shifts)	\$139
John Harrod (4 shifts)	\$128
Dave Demo/Gilbert Hendricks	\$83
Jim Welte	\$80
Joe Halloran	\$44
Brian Kasproicz	\$28
Dick Dinger	\$75
Gene Knight	\$78
Joe Foley	\$88
Chuck Eckstien	\$104
Gilbert Hendricks	\$84
Bill Hast	\$79

Book Review

Review of Legends, Lies and Cherished Myths of American History
 Author: Richard Shenkman
 ISBN 0-06-097262-9
 Published 1988, William Morrow and Company, Inc.



Appropriate to all Knights of Columbus is the opening chapter of this book, which is entitled "Discovers and Inventors". The chapter begins with some of the larger than life attributes placed upon Christopher Columbus. Mr. Shenkman clarifies that Columbus did not prove that the world was round, but rather, it was Aristotle who did this during a solar eclipse of the moon. Similarly, Queen Isabella did not have to pawn her jewelry to finance Columbus' trips, although she did make the offer originally. Fortunately, there were enough government funds to cover the initial costs.

Many of the topics presented in Legends, Lies and Cherished Myths of American History really open the

reader's eyes to those myths or distortions we have been told, if not by our parents and teachers, then by historians seeking to add fluff and filler to some well known American personalities. Consider the following features and comments:

- ✘ Paul Revere was relatively unknown until Henry Wadsworth Longfellow wrote his famous poem about him.
- ✘ The myth that George Washington father several children by his slaves is discussed as are his famous false teeth; There's also mention of the cherry tree incident
- ✘ How Abraham Lincoln was smuggled onto a special sleeping car when he took office
- ✘ The real reason of Warren Harding's death, which did not include suicide, murder or poisoning
- ✘ Calvin Coolidge's sense of humor is presented in two instances of a practical joke and a quick retort to a reporter on his attending a local fair.



Subsequent chapters deal with the Family, War, Education, the Holidays, the "Good Old Days" and Famous Quotes. The entire book only runs 200 pages, including footnotes, of which the author provides many of them.

Consider adding Legends, Lies and Cherished Myths of American History to your reading list, at least for a good laugh and some clarification of misperceptions!

-submitted by Frank Castillo

Business Meeting Minutes

Nov. 14, 2006 (Archive minutes available at www.kofc9880.org)

Grand Knight	E	Inside Guard	P	Lecturer	E
D Grand Knight	E	Outside Guard	P	Warden	P
Fin Secretary	E	1 Year Trustee	P	Chanc	P
Treasurer	P	2 Year Trustee	P	Recorder	P
Chaplain	E	3 Year Trustee	P	Advocate	P

- Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM
- Council Officers role call
- Reading of the Minutes. Motion to accept the business meeting minutes was put forward. Motion passed.

Grand Knight's Report:

- None

Treasurer's Report:

- \$500 has been received from the Social Action Committee for the Free Trade Coffee Project. We need to receive about \$200 more to breakeven for the program.
- We now have an interest bearing checking account.

- Checks were written for 20 - \$50 prize winners in for the Scholarship Raffle.
- We received a check for about \$1500 from the Oktoberfest Event Committee. Joe Foley asked if the amount included reimbursement for the deposit for the Little German Band made by the Council. A report will be made at the next meeting.

Financial Secretary's Report:

- An in-depth report will be made at the next meeting by the new F. S., Joe Foley, who will fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Clayton Rogers.

Trustees' Report:

- An election must be held for the replacement of the following officers due to the resignation of the Grand Knight, Brian Kasproicz: Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight and Chancellor.

Service Programs:

- None

New Business:

- Tom Smith, Past Grand Knight, asked for nominees for Grand Knight. Jim Lueck's name was put forward and the nominations were closed. Jim Lueck was elected Grand Knight to fill the term of Brian Kasproicz who moved out of state.
- As new Grand Knight Jim Lueck asked for nominees for Deputy Grand Knight. Bill Wolf was nominated from the floor and nominations were closed. Bill Wolf was elected Deputy Grand Knight to fill the term of Jim Lueck.
- Jim Lueck asked for nominees for Chancellor. Dom Stamegna was nominated and nominations were closed. Dom Stamegna was elected Chancellor to fill the term of Bill Wolf.
- Food for the food baskets will be purchased on Saturday November 18th at Aldi's. Volunteers will meet at Aldi's at 9:00 am. Joe Foley asked that Diane Link be added to the Food Basket List.
- The food baskets will be assembled on Sunday November 19th in Raphael Hall. Volunteers will meet at 9:00 am. Basket can be picked up after 12:00 noon.
- Dave Demo reported that 28 "Enjoy the City" discount coupon books were sold for a profit of \$168. The books will be on sale until Monday November 20th when the excess books have to be returned.
- Dave Demo reported that a Third Degree Exemplification was held at St. Raphael's on November 4th. 43 candidates made their 3rd Degree. The Degree was held in honor of Bishop Michael Burbidge, since his now a knight. All candidates signed a certificate for him. We had the certificate framed and it will be presented to the Bishop at an appropriate time.
- Terry Miner stated that a Fourth Degree dinner would be held on Sunday November 19th at Father Price council.
- Tom Smith announced that the K of C Bowling Tournament would be held in Wilmington Delaware this

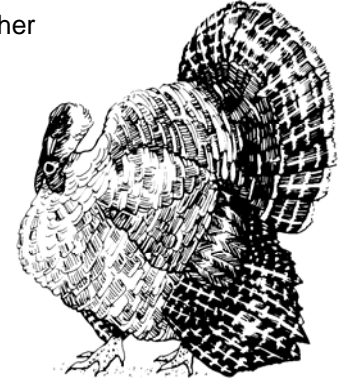
year. The dates are April, 14 & 15, 21 & 22, 28 & 29, and May 5 & 6. Call Tom for further information.

Good of the Order:

Please remember in your prayers the following:

- Patty Parrish's brother who died recently

- Brother Louis Baffaro, a knight who died recently, and his widow
- John Harrod's mother
- John Harrod
- Ed Cody
- Jim Welte



Fall cookout Nov 14, 2006 – more photos at www.kof9880.com



Happy Thanksgiving

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