



Knightslife

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THE YEAR FOR PRIESTS

Council Calendar

1st Tuesday 7:30pm Officers' Meeting, Room 30, (Library)
 2nd Tuesday 7:30pm Business Meeting, Room 30, (Library)
 7:00pm Rosary - Mary Chapel - Prior to Business Meetings

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| Jan 30 | Jesuit Speakers' Forum |
| Feb 2 | Officers' Meeting |
| Feb 6 | Capital Towers (Hast) |
| Feb 7 | Superbowl Party (Castillo) |
| Feb 9 | Business Meeting |
| Feb 13 | Basketball Free Throw Championship |
| Feb 14 | Pancake Breakfast |
| Feb 17 | ASH WEDNESDAY |
| Feb 19 | Shrimp Boil/Fish Fry |
| Feb 26 | Shrimp Boil/Fish Fry |
| Feb 27 | Wives Appreciation Dinner 6:30 pm |
| Feb 28 | Blood Drive in Lewis Room |
| Mar 2 | Officers Meeting |
| Mar 5 | Shrimp Boil/Fish Fry |
| Mar 6 | Capital Towers (Hast) |
| Mar 9 | Business Meeting |
| Mar 12 | Shrimp Boil/Fish Fry |
| Mar 19 | Shrimp Boil/Fish Fry |
| Mar 26 | Shrimp Boil/Fish Fry |
| April 2 | Good Friday |
| April 4 | Easter Sunday |

Council 9880 Officers 2009/2010

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| Grand Knight: | Joseph Smith | 360-3706 |
| Dpt Grand Knight: | Bernie Brown | |
| Chancellor: | Frank Castillo | 510-9589 |
| Warden: | Gilbert Hendricks | 571-9076 |
| Recorder: | Dave Ottney | 900-8359 |
| Treasurer: | Ed Cody | 782-1215 |
| Fin Secretary: | Dave Demo | 845-7770 |
| Outside Guard: | Jim Cody | 782-1215 |
| Inside Guard: | John Harrod | 787-8719 |
| Advocate: | John Moore | 266-7381 |
| 1st year Trustee: | Bill Hast | 847-7247 |
| 2nd year Trustee: | Jim Lueck | 550-0164 |
| 3rd year Trustee: | Tom Smith | 971-1087 |
| Lecturer | Lou Clark | 266-7012 |

From the Grand Knight

Joseph Smith, Grand Knight



Brother Knights,

As we all can see from today's current events that the world changes dramatically in a heartbeat. It is during times such as these that we must look to the world and say how can I truly make the world better. What is there that I can do to help at least one person out of the over six billion.

A truly horrific tragedy has befallen Haiti and now is the time to help. Times are tough all over the planet but on this tiny nation it has been tough for many years and now, today, it is described as "Hell of Earth". However, for all the destruction we have seen on the news, I saw a piece this morning on a miracle.

For five days a small, 2 year old, girl had been trapped in the rubble of a home. No one could hear her faint cries except for one dog. A dog specifically used to search for survivors was able to point a team to locate the trapped girl and free her. She was, as described by a doctor on the scene, dehydrated but in excellent health. Her father had never left the remains of the building and had been trying to locate the girl for the five days since the quake. His first response to any question was to thank God. God was there. God was also there when rescuers found a 2-month-old girl barely alive in critical condition. Now she is in a Miami hospital in stable condition and recovering. God is there for her. God is there for all those on the island and he is there for all those in the world.

The American Red Cross is currently taking monetary donations and many other charities are giving aid. People from all walks of life are joining together to give help to Haiti and God is with them all. Because tragedies will happen, that is inevitable. God, however, will always be there too, guiding his children in our most dire times. So to answer 'what can I do?' pray. Pray for the world and pray for Haiti.

Vivat Jesus!



American Red Cross Haiti Donation

Joseph Smith, Grand Knight

Anyone interested in donating to the Red Cross may contact them at:

www.redcross.org

International Response Fund
P.O. Box 37243
Washington, DC 20013

Donations may be made by phone! 800-257-7575. HAITI RELIEF must be designated at time of donation.

American Red Cross Blood Donation – February 28th

ST. RAPHAEL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE

Sponsored By: Knights of Columbus, Council #9880

Held in St. Raphael's Lewis Room – To schedule an appointment or for more information, please contact Frank Castillo at (919) 510-9589.



Business Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2010

Dave Ottney, Recorder

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

- Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM in Raphael Hall by the Grand Knight.
- Council Officers role call was completed.
- Reading of the Minutes: Motion to accept the previous business meeting minutes as issued in the last Knightlife was put forward. The motion was past.

Membership:

- The next membership drive will be in January.
- One (1) application was read and approved.
- A 1st Degree is being scheduled.

Grand Knight's Report:

- No Knight of the Month or Family of the Month was awarded but two will be awarded in February.
- The GK presented the Double Star plaque that the Council received from Past State Deputy, John Goulie, at the Christmas party.
- We received RSVP thank-you notes from three of the seminarians, Ramon Garcia, Robert Schmitt and

Phillip Johnson, thanking the Council for our financial support.

- The Membership VIP Club was discussed.
- Reminder that the Ladies Appreciation Dinner is scheduled for February 27th. A separate invitation will be mailed out by the GK but please book the date on your calendars now.

Treasurer's Report:

- We are in good financial shape.
- Money was received from the Parish for our participation at the Annual Parish Fair last fall. The amount was an improvement from previous years.
- Please see the Treasurer for any further details.

Financial Secretary's Report:

- The new Council 9880 Shirts are here and we have 8 extra. See David Demo to pick up your shirt.
- The Semi-Annual audit is complete and ready for the GK and Trustees to review and sign.

Trustee's Report:

- None.

Field Agent's Report:

- None

Chancellors Report:

- None

Advocate Report:

- Will be developing a plan for a dance in March.

Service Programs:

- Family –Mark Parish- The Christmas Party was successful. On February 7th, we will have a Superbowl Party at Frank Castillo's house starting approximately 6 PM. This will be Pot Luck dinner, please bring your favorite dish. Families are invited. Directions to Frank's house will follow separately and please RSVP to help for planning.
- Community –Next road clean up will be scheduled for late February/early March when the weather improves.
- Church –None.
- Council Director – Pat Eagan-Will put information in the Church Bulletin on the March for Life, and Free Throw.
- Youth – Jim Lueck - February 13, 9-10:15am, the Annual Free Throw Contest will be at St. Francis. This will combined with the District Free Throw which will then follow at 10:30-Noon. Contact Jim Lueck or Pat Eagan if you can help.
- Pro Life/Hispanic Ministries – Frank Castillo will follow up with information about having skeet shooting as a possible council activity. North Carolina license plates will be available soon at a cost of \$25.

Old Business:

- The first Shrimp Boil & Fish Fry Dinner will be on February 19th. Volunteers are needed for all activities from set up, cooking and especially clean up at the end of the night. John Gunther and Tom Smith will be in charge of the Fish Fry activities. An email will be sent out to sign up volunteers for the six (6) Fridays of Lent. Last year we served ~300 dinners per night.
- John Gunther presented an estimate of approximately \$450 to repair the lighted sign with new panels. This was discussed and approved.
- The Council website is up to date and please send any pictures that you wish to post on the site to Mark Parish. Remember that the Group email goes to ~150 people. Please remember do not "REPLY ALL" unless it is appropriate. This system can only send text and will strip any attachments.

New Business:

- The Council should remind Ms. Mickey McGoldrick that the Council needs to set up a new storage area because our space in Raphael Hall will be eliminated when the Hall is renovated. Space in the storage building was previously approved by the Parish for our use.
- A proposal was made to build a separate walled off room in the storage building for K of C use. Last year the budget had approximately \$2,500 for this but the cost of this room construction is not in the current budget. A motion was approved to develop a plan for a new storage area and re-estimate the costs. John Peel will coordinate this activity. Then the proposal will be reviewed again and determination made on budget availability.
- A proposal was made to investigate the purchase of a new trailer since the Parish trailer has disappeared. The ballpark price is \$1,500 and a motion was passed to have John Peel look at various trailer options with costs and present this information at the February Business Meeting.
- Bud Esperseth discussed setting up a program to purchase an ultrasound machine through the K of C project. The Knights of Columbus ultrasound project seeks to provide medically certified pro-life pregnancy centers with the modern technology to monitor the health of babies' in-utero, and to allow mothers to visually experience that development. The cost range will be \$10,000-\$35,000 with half the cost matched by Supreme. A proposed was made to develop an ad hoc committee to do further investigation under the Pro-Life Service Coordinator – Frank Castillo, and the motion passed.
- The next Pancake Breakfast will be scheduled for February 14, after all morning masses.
- The next Blood Drive is scheduled for February 28th in the Lewis Room.
- Reminder that we will sell roses at all masses for Mothers Day on May 9th.

- The 4th Degree members will participate in the March for Life on Saturday, January 16th; however, all members are welcome to join the march. There is a mass and breakfast before the march at St. Joseph's Parish.
- On January 23rd, the National March for Life will be held in Washington DC.
- On January 17th, there is a 4th Degree meeting at 3 PM.
- Bob Rafferty, a past Grand Knight from Long Island NY, was a visitor at the business meeting.

Good of the Order:

- National Vocation Awareness Week was discussed and detailed information was passed out to the members. All of the Knights should encourage young people to consider a vocation.
- Father Hussey is working to set up a World Marriage Day but no date has been established at this time

Please Remember in Your Prayers:

- Oliverio Phillips and his wife Yolanda and their daughter Yolanda.
- Tom Indovina and his family after the death of his wife Karen.
- All the people in Haiti after the earthquake.
- Pat Eagan's Mother-in-law.
- Terry Minor's brother, Steve, who died last week.
- John Harrod's Mother
- For the people who suffered losses in the fire at John Harrods apartment complex.
- John Harrod's nephew, Forrest's birthday.

Council 9880 – Knightlife News Letter Information

If you would like to submit an article, you can send them to me via email or give me a written copy at our meetings. These articles do not have to pertain to council activities. You can submit articles for special accomplishments, children, books, special events, etc.

The deadline for submitting news/articles to be published in the Knightlife is the 15th of the month.

FYI: The North Carolina Knights of Columbus web page:

www.kofcnc.org.

The website for the Diocese of Raleigh:

<http://www.dioceseofraleigh.org>

Legislative matters of interest to Catholics:

www.CatholicVoiceNC.org

TRAVELING? - Nationwide Mass times and locations:
1-410-676-6000 - www.Masstimes.org

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