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May 2006

Grand Knight's May Message

Brother Knights:

As most of you know, we had a very successful silent auction. Thank you Brother Joe for another great leadership job. Many Brother Knights scoured the cities and malls to bring in numerous items to bid on. I expect we will be very close to \$8000 for this year's auction.

Our membership drive has also been very successful. It has been very gratifying to see our new and old Brother Knights wearing their Knight badges around the church and at other Knight functions. The golf shirts also look great. As other parishioners realize how much the Knights do for the church and community, it makes it that much easier to recruit new members. We need just two more members to double our quota and receive the State Silver Membership Award this year. Talk with all of your nonmember friends and let's sign them up. As Mike Rector has stated, our council has brought in more new members than the other four councils he oversees as District Deputy combined.

The tornado clean up has been very helpful to the victims and their families. Many Brother Knights and wives and children have spent long hours assisting victims. Thank you one and all for your efforts.

We need to begin thinking about the Wives Appreciation dinner coming up in June. The date of June 24 has been set so lock it in your calendars.

It has been a great feeling to hold Council meetings the past 4-5 months and have 45-50 brother Knights in attendance. Must be Bob G's food! It has been super. Sorry we ran out of spirits last month. Mike said it would never happen again.

Vivat Jesus, GK Dave

What do you call an intelligent, good looking, hard working and sensitive man?

A woman's answer, "A rumor"

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 05/21 4th Deg Assembly - 5:00 pm**
- 05/21 Monthly Mtg - Social Hr 6 pm, Mtg 6:30 pm**
- 06/18 Father's Day**
- 06/24 Wives Appreciation Dinner - 5:30 pm**
- 06/25 4th Deg Assembly - 5:00 pm**
- 06/25 Monthly Mtg - Social Hr 6 pm, Mtg 6:30 pm**

The task ahead of us is never as great as the Power behind us.

KofC Shirts - Limited Number for Sale

Doug Ebelhar has a few KofC logo shirts (logo on left chest) that weren't picked up from the recent sale. These can be purchased for \$24.50.

The shirts available are (one of each shirt listed):

- Navy - Med, Large, XLarge
- Stone - Large
- White - Large, XLarge

If you would like to purchase one, please contact Doug at 800-206-5947 or by e-mail at aswservices@bellsouth.net.

Brothers Helping Brothers What We're All About

When tornados ripped through the mid-state area on April 7th it was an ill wind that directly affected two Brothers in our Council, Loras and Brian Vaske, and their families, as their homes were demolished along with several outbuildings on the property. The Vaske's were not home but Brother Terry Vollmer, father of Lisa Vaske, was there doing some painting. Luckily he was not hurt as he made it to a basement bathroom. His van in the driveway was blown about 800ft up the hill.

As soon as word of the tragedy became known, an e-mail went out that evening to all on-line Brothers asking for help. By 7 am the next morning, several Brothers had gathered at the Vaske property to help with salvage and cleanup. (Pictures on last page)

For the next week and a half or more various Brothers spent time helping Loras as did many youth from OLOL and from JPII High School. The workers were provided much appreciated sandwiches and refreshments put together by the ladies from OLOL and also by the Hartsville Pike Church of Christ.

When Al Russell formerly in Council 9132 and now a Knight in Council 12391 in Pennsylvania heard of Loras plight, he and other Brothers of Council 12391 got together and provided some support for Loras recovery efforts. Also our State Deputy awarded Loras a gift certificate grant from the Supreme Disaster Relief fund.

The Vaske families have much appreciated all the help especially that from the Council 9132. In thanks they provided a cake at the April meeting and put the following thank you note to all OLOL parishioners in the Sunday Bulletin.

"I cannot explain in words my gratitude to all of you for your support, donation and prayers you have given us during this difficult time in our family's life. If it were not for caring people as you all, we really would have a hard time getting through this. The tornado may have destroyed all material things in our life, but it has brought a lot of love around my family, and I am so thankful for that. It brought tears to my eyes every time I went to our house and saw all the people there with their hands reaching out to help us.

I am humble; a new word for my life!! Thank you all so very much. As I said, words cannot explain all I feel and wish to say to you."

"Life is hard. After all, it kills you." - Katherine Hepburn

Nominations for Officers

Current nominations for next year's officers are listed below. Additional nominations will be taken at the May meeting when the election will be held.

Current nominees are:

- Grand Knight: Doug Blake, Greg Miles
- Deputy Grand Knight: Bob Schmidle
- Chancellor: Bill Degnan
- Warden: Zyg Durski
- Recorder: Brian Davis
- Treasurer: Tim Kolp
- Advocate: none
- Inside Guard: Mitch Parochka, Mark Davis
- Outside Guard: Mark Davis
- Trustee: Dave Eliskovich

Highlights from the April Meeting

There were 46 Knights in attendance.

JJ Ebelhar and Allie Thompson addressed the group concerning their upcoming trip to sing at Carnegie Hall. They solicited the Knights for help with funding for the trip and also talked about an upcoming concert they were holding as a fund raiser.

The Council considered a contribution to the group's trip and after discussion a direct donation was not approved. A motion was made and passed to support them by buying \$250 worth of tickets to their concert and giving those tickets to seniors in the Parish.

Additional nominations were taken for the upcoming Council election. The slate of nominees is listed elsewhere in the newsletter.

Based on the damage to Loras Vaske's barn, Ed Corbitt noted that we need to help find another place to store the parish's Nativity statues. Jon Hoscheit said he may have a place.

GK Eliskovich announced that plans are being made for a Ladies Appreciation Night at Nashville Night Life sometime in June.

Ed Corbitt recommended that we have the Yard Sale again this year and he was appointed to look into having this event.

It was announced that the Silent auction income is going to exceed \$5,400.

Jerry Tachoir solicited help for the upcoming Senior's Banquet Mass.

Motion made and passed to increase the funding for the gifts to the First Communion and Confirmation classes to \$450 due to the large size of the classes.

District Deputy Rector presented a disaster relief donation to the Vaske families from the State Deputy. Loras expressed his and Brian's thanks for that donation and also for the help that the Knights and other parishioners have given him in recovering from the tornado destruction.

Ed Corbitt reminded everyone that we still have an opportunity to work for Central Parking helping to park cars for Coliseum events. This can be a good money raiser with minor effort. The first event will be Fan Fair on June 8-11.

Doug Blake reminded all Knights to carry the rosary they received at their First Degree and to pray it often.

GK Dave named Carl Strasse as Knight of the Month for his work on membership. GK Dave also named the Mike and Ann Williams Family of the Month for their tireless effort in the can recycling for several years and for their other contributions to the council and parish.

Carlton Russell announced that Sumner Special Housing is going to be selling one of their homes and help is needed in fixing it up for sale. Especially needed is someone who can sand and apply stain to the hardwood floors.

As usual a great meal was had before the meeting; a meal that was topped off with a "Thank You" cake from the Vaske's.

There were no 50/50 or jackpot drawings.

A successful diet is the triumph of mind over platter.

Did You Know

That donations from KofC units and Brother Knights to the Order's Gulf States Disaster Relief Fund surpassed \$4 million by the end of 2005?

That the Earth weighs an estimated 1,000,000 tons more than it did one year ago?

That the Supreme Council matched the above donations dollar for dollar up to the first \$2.1 million in addition to the \$2.5 million the Supreme Council pledged right after the storm?

That a third of the Earth's land surface can be classified as desert?

That the Supreme council provided \$1,000 to every Knight affected by the storm, with a total of \$675,000 sent to Knights and their families by year's end?

That 11% of Earth is covered by glaciers?

It's never too late to be who you might have been. - George Eliot

Bishop Joseph Durick Assembly #2389 News General

Bishop Joseph Durick Assembly 2389 met at OLOL at 5 pm on the fourth Sunday of April 2006. Many of the members had been working the Silent auction the entire weekend. Also before the meeting at 2:30 PM the Color Guard performed at the Divine Mercy Service conducted at OLOL Church. The Sir Knights were complimented on their work on the different Knights of Columbus activities for the Parish.

Announcements

All attendees were advised of the meeting dates for May and June 2006. The May date will be on the Third Sunday at 5 PM . The June meeting scheduled to be conducted on the Fourth Sunday, June 25th. All meetings will start at the regular time of 5 PM.

Elections

The Election of Officers for 2006-2007 was the main topic of discussion for this month's meeting. It was decided during the meeting not to wait until May to decide the final slate of nominees. Instead the slate of officers was finalized by vote at the April meeting. The election for 2006 -2007 was conducted and the voting was completed during the April meeting; however, the 2005-2006 officers will not relinquish their positions until 1 July, 2006.

The results of the 2006-2007 elections are as follows: Navigator Joe Wall; Captain Dave Eliskovich; Admiral Richard A. Smith; Pilot Mitch Parochka; Comptroller John Bolger; Purser Murray Wimmer; Scribe Bill Degnan; 1 year Trustee Jack Kallam; 2 year Trustee Doug Blake; 3 year Trustee Joe Fertitta; Faithful Friar Father Bill Bevington; Outdoor Sentinel Wayne Birthright; Inter sentinel Greg Miles.

(Note If you haven't paid your annual dues please contact your Faithful Comptroller, John Bolger, soonest.)

Fraternal Benefits News

Nobody knows how long they are going to live. That's why it is essential to buy life insurance. With life insurance you can live forever in the eyes of your family.

Right now you have questions: How will they survive without me? What would they do if I were no longer here for them? How would they live? With life insurance all these questions are answered.

There is no need to spend your living years worrying about how your family will cope without you. Let life insurance take the worry out of life so that you can enjoy it.

If you have any questions, please contact me by e-mail at Stephen.Sullivan@kofc.org or by phone at 516-9358.

Vivat Jesus! Stephen Sullivan

A Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem. A small child replied: "They couldn't get a baby sitter."

Ladies Appreciation Night

Our Council will have our annual Ladies Appreciation Dinner on Saturday evening, June 24, at Nashville Night Life in the Opryland area. Buffet dinner will be served at 5:30, and musical and comedy entertainment will follow at 6:30. All Knights and their special lady are invited to attend this evening of food, fun, and fellowship. The cost of the evening is \$20 per couple. **Reservations must be made before 6/19/06.** To sign up, please contact Rick Alexander at 822-8339.

If you can't be kind, at least have the decency to be vague.

e-Mail Change

Joe Staub has a new e-mail address. You can reach him now at: jstaub@stonevillageproperties.com

State Free Throw Champions

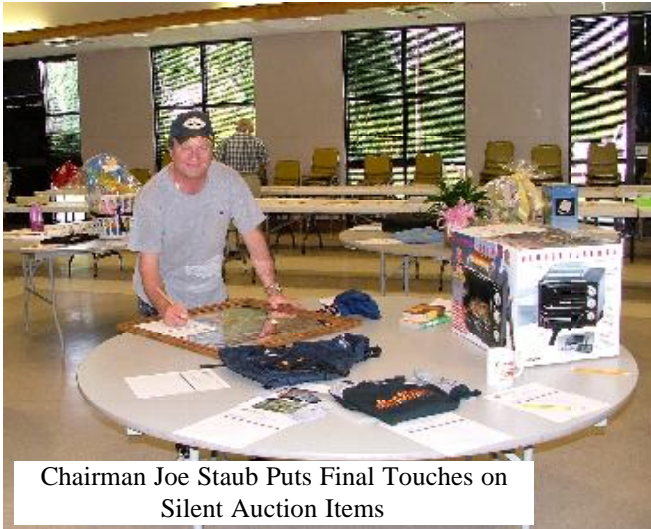
Our Council and the Hendersonville area were well represented at the recent Statewide Free Throw Championship. In competition with Councils from all over the state Macy Hale of Gallatin representing our Council became the State Champion in the Girls 13 year old division. A second winner was Daniel Tucker from Hendersonville who represented St. Joseph Council #3763 in the 14 yr. old division.

Silent Auction - Biggest Ever

Congratulations are due to Joe Staub and his Silent Auction workers as they pulled off the biggest auction ever in terms of participation and items donated and money netted. At the start of the Silent Auction we had goods and services that amounted to over \$24,000 at full retail value. At the writing of this article, we have taken in \$8,700, 36% of the actual value of the goods and we still have money outstanding to collect. We may exceed \$9,000 so keep your fingers crossed. Not bad for a bunch of peddlers....

The Brothers working the Silent Auction this year took it to a new level not only in terms of items donated, but with manpower provided. All the Brothers below pitched in and helped tremendously. A special thanks goes out to Kelley Degnan, wife of Brother Bill Degnan. Kelley along with Bill spent a tremendous amount of time in automating the entire bid sheet process and spent countless hours before, during, and after the Silent Auction working the system. Bill & Kelley, we couldn't have done this without you.

Helping out this year were: John Bertotti, Doug Blake, John Bolger, Tim Caher, Ed Corbitt, Brian Davis, Bill Degnan, Dave Eliskovich, Bruce Janson, Tim Kolp, Steve Mantegani, Mitch Parochka, Donnie Petre, Larry Phillips, Gerry Rousselle, Buddy Shaw, Richard Smith, Brian Starr, Wally Wietrzynski. Special kudos to all these Brothers who made this the best year ever. And a special thanks to the sparkplug chairman - Joe Staub.



Chairman Joe Staub Puts Final Touches on Silent Auction Items

Some minds are like concrete, thoroughly mixed up and permanently set.

Seniors Banquet Mass

This year's Seniors Banquet Mass sponsored by our Council was the best attended ever with 60 people enjoying the Mass, good food and much fun.

The chef for the evening was Martha Grist. She served up a meal of pork chops, potato casserole, peas, and a frozen salad with cheesecake for dessert.

Entertainment was by pianist, Marlene Tachoir, and the attendees also vied for prizes in a game of bingo with veteran caller Bill Grist.

In addition to Martha, Marlene and Bill, Chairman Jerry Tachoir thanks Sue Lammers, Zyg Durski, Larry Phillips, and Wally Wietrzynski for helping out. It was busy night getting all the guests served.



Some Banquet Mass Attendees

Easter Egg Hunt - Big Hit Once again

Once again the Easter Egg hunt sponsored by our Council was a big hit with a large group of youngsters at OLOL.

Chairman Mike Rector wants to thank Steve and Jennifer Mantegani and the Bertotti extended family for helping him to set up and oversee this event. A good time was had by all.

See pictures of the event on the last page.

Coincidence is when God chooses to remain anonymous.



Getting Up in the World

Tower Cleaning

If you have glanced upwards when entering church recently, you may have noticed that the church tower no longer has the black stain running down the face of it. Well, that's thanks to yet another Council 9132 project. Three Knights from our Council using a bucket truck rented by the parish not only cleaned the tower but also caulked the windows in an effort to stop the leaks that occur in heavy blowing rain.

Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.

Wine & Cheese Fund Raiser

In what is becoming an annual event, Chairman Larry Phillips reports that the KofC sponsored Wine and Cheese evening at OLOL was once again enjoyed by all of the 40 or more folks there.

Washington, California, Australia and South Africa wines were all represented. The attendees had 26 different wines from these states and countries to choose from. Delicious appetizers were prepared and enjoyed with the wines.

About \$1,000 was raised, all of which will go towards the Youth Mission trip. Larry asks for us all to please continue to support these types of events so the KofC can continue to help our OLOL youth programs.

"A long habit of not thinking a thing wrong gives it a superficial appearance of being right." - Thomas Paine

Easter Egg Hunt



Ready to Go



Chaos Ensues

Brother Helping Brother



Salvage & Cleanup



Taking a Break