

# **KNIGHTLY NEWS**

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The next regular meeting is Thursday, Feb. 2, 2012 at <u>6:30</u> PM, St. Mark Catholic Church. We will pray the Rosary together at 6 PM.

# **Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**Knights' Birthdays** Peter McDonald 1/2 David Stauber 1/13 Edgardo Belen 1/14 Jeremy Harris 1/17 Richard Simpson 1/18 Paul Weber 1/19 Dan Timmerman 1/19 Michael Flower 1/20 Brian McNamara 1/21 Chester Lipinski 1/22 Brian Wenham 1/29 Michael DeSimone 1/30 Tony Meli 1/31 Gerald Bleser 1/31 John Delmez 1/31 Hubert Stovik 2/1 Patrick McAllen 2/1 Frank McNulty 2/2 Mel Almendares 2/4

Gerard Lane 2/5 Steven Jennison 2/6 Philip Harrignton 2/9 Wayne Costa 2/10 Robert Belknapp 2/11 Joshua Wood 2/13 John Whattam 2/14 Brian Rollins 2/15 Greg Staley 2/16 Mario Chavez 2/19 Terry Childs 2/21 Kenneth Curry 2/25 Larry Johnson 2/25 William Pardy 2/28

#### Wives' Birthdays

Rachel Gerle 1/21 Kristen Haneke 1/26 Susan Turchiano 1/27 Beth Dequiroz 1/31 Louella Getz 2/19 Carla England 2/20 Pamela Gartner 2/21

#### Anniversaries

Robert and Tania Wilson 12/17 Chet and Denise Elder 12/27 Patrick and Inga McAllen 12/29 Peter and Shannon Lorton 1/3 Michael and Lorraine Beiriger 1/6 Brian and Jamie McNamara 1/27 Andrew and Michelle Yockey 2/25

# **Upcoming Events**

Spaghetti Dinner, Sat., Jan. 7, 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM Pancake Breakfast, Sun., Jan. 15, 7:30 AM - 12:30 PM Planning Meeting, Mon., Jan. 30

Please stay current by visiting the official calendar online at: <u>http://www.knights1498.org/calendar.php</u>

Degree schedules: please click this link and scroll down to see a list of upcoming Degree schedules.

# Meeting Minutes, Jan. 5, 2012

# Roll of Officers

Chaplain – Present Grand Knight – Present Deputy Grand Knight – Present Chancellor – Present Recorder – Present Financial Secretary – Present Treasurer – Present Lecturer – Excused Advocate – Present Warden – Present Inside Guard – Present Outside Guard – Present Trustee 3 Year – Present Trustee 2 Year – Present Trustee 1 Year – Present

*The minutes of preceding meeting were:* Approved.

#### Grand Knight's Report (Jim Butler)

Many have said our Advent party at the Sacred Heart Retreat House really kicks off their Christmas. We had over 200 this year. It was a wonderful time. If you have not attended before, try and make it next year. Father Kinerk is very happy with our Advent party event.

Ralph Anzur is a Christopher at St. Mark (Christophers bring the Eucharist to those home bound) and found a man in a dire financial situation. His furnace died. I put the word out on this. One of the Knights contacted a HVAC company that donated a furnace and installed it for free. This is great that the Knights can help people like this.

We have a great turn-out tonight (over 60 Knights). My challenge to you all is to do even more for others than you already do. We are in a very tough economy and people need help and jobs. Avail yourselves of our Knights of Columbus insurance.

Thank you for your prayers for my father. He had quintuple bypass surgery.

#### Chaplain's Report (Fr. John Auer)

Welcome to a new year. Take one of the four principles of the Knights to focus on this month. Get the St. Mark calendar or go online to read about the <u>saint of the day</u>. Have your family look up the saint of the day, then discuss as a family. We mention the saints during every Mass. This way we can instill Catholicity.

The BeFriender ministry assists individuals and families with transitions/difficult times in life such as divorce, lost jobs, depression, new child, etc. People need to talk. This is a listening outreach. It's a caring arm here for all. There is a training process to be on the Befriender ministry. BeFrienders are screened and have a background check. Healing occurs more rapidly when you can talk to someone. The goal for a befriender is listening and caring for about 45 minutes or so. It is flexible, depending on everyone's schedules. Befrienders use a method similar to the Socratic method. Get the word out.

# Treasurer's Report (Rob McCoy)

Financial Report:

Checking balance (includes the general fund, Angel fund and building fund): \$21,558.58 Raffle account: \$2,092.53 Approximately \$10,000 in 5 CDs.

Notices of Application—Membership. (Gary Cahill)

*The Council conferred the 1st Degree on:* Nathan Franks, Brian Sago, Brad Staibe, John Wheeler.

# Financial Secretary's Report (Bernie Kuta)

From Dec. Vouchers/disbursements/Expenses: \$3,967.26 From Dec. Receipts/Income/Deposits: \$6,119.79

- Name tags are in.
- Membership cards are here and in the back. Please get your dues payments in ASAP.
- Please figure out your volunteer activity hours for 2011 and fill out the 2011 Calendar Year Survey.

*Auditors and Trustees Report* No report.

#### District Deputy's Report (Marc Solome)

John Lynn, Faithful Navigator, Assembly 2618

- Our council is 12 for 15 for membership. We are on track for star. Insurance is 1/5. This March is Membership Blitz.
- Jan. 6-8 is the Midyear Meeting for District Deputies, Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries. The 7th is the day of big breakout sessions.
- There will be a 4th Degree on Jan. 28 at the St.

Augustine Assembly

- Feb. 4 is the District 9 meeting at St. Francis.
- Feb. 19 is the district free throw contest at the rec center in Castle Rock.
- We will have a Major Degrees Exemplification at St. Mark on March 31.
- Trustees: audits are coming up and due Feb. 15.
- Blessed Pope John Paul II Be Not Afraid membership campaign: For every 4 new members recruited by June, a large limited edition John Paul II medallion with display will be awarded to the council. For 6 new members, the council will also get one for the Chaplain.
- Please fill out and submit the fraternal survey on volunteer activity hours by the end of Jan.
- The 110th Colorado State Council Convention will be April 26th - 29th at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Loveland, CO.
- Committee reports are due by Feb. 1.

# **Meeting Minutes—Committee Reports**

#### **Report of Standing Committees**

#### 1st Degree—(Webb McDonald)

• There will be a meeting and training towards the end of Feb. Thank you to Scott Krueger for set-up and other work today.

#### Council—(Greg Staley)

• The next Pancake Breakfast will be Sun., Jan. 22. Thank you to Dan Timmerman and Skip Wood for running the last pancake breakfasts.

# Pro-Life—(John Lane)

- Jan. 22 is the anniversary of Roe vs Wade so we will be doing things to call people's attention such as putting up a baby shower pack and play in the gathering space (we are working with the Social Justice Ministry), we'll have the small crosses in the windows, and the 10 week unborn baby feet pins.
- (Mike Beiriger) An ultrasound is being placed in the Arkansas Pregnancy Center in La Junta. The mobile ultrasound program is going well.

Jim Butler then presented a \$1,000 check from our council to Mike Beiriger for the Ultrasound Initiative. This amount is built into our budget for this purpose.

#### Family—(Larry Johnson)

• We need volunteers for 3 shifts for the next spaghetti dinner. Thanks to John Park for his help with these. There will be homemade sauce, homemade meatballs and sausage along with salad, bread and desert. Jim Butler added that the success of these dinners is largely on us Knights attending. They are a great time with great food. Beer will be provided. Please bring your own wine.

#### Community—(Steve Myer)

- \$700 from the Tootsie Roll drive was donated to the Highlands Ranch Therapeutic Association.
- Our local Free Throw competition will be held in conjunction with the St. Thomas More council and will take place on SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2012 from 8:30 a.m.-12:00pm at the St. Thomas More School Gym, 7071 Otero, Centennial 80112.

All boys and girls 10 to 14 years old are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions. One winner will progress from each age category for boys and girls. Winners can progress through local, district and state competitions.

For additional details, entry forms or flyers, please contact Robert Wilson at 303-507-1448

• (Dan Timmerman) Many Knights made a trip that included stops at the Marian House in Colorado Springs, Alamosa and La Jara, CO. Over 1000 coats, gloves, hats and blankets, as well as dozens of bikes were given to the most needy in our extended faith family. Knights, wives and children distributed these items and many more collected items, performed bike repairs and provided donations to make this trip possible. It was a blessing for Alice and I to participate for Friday/ Saturday and I would highly recommend making time in your schedule next year to participate if possible. Involving your children, as AJ, Patrick and Miguel can attest; is an incredibly important learning experience. Thank you to the many who made this trip possible!

# Youth—(Tristan Solome)

No report.

# Church—(John Park)

Thank you! It was a busy Advent season. Thank you to all, especially Bernie and Ron and others.

**Fourth Degree Report—(Scott Krueger)** No report.

# Membership—(Gary Cahill)

#### No report.

#### Formal (Ed Belen)

- We have the full menu now. It will include a delicious vegetarian plate as well as the steak and chicken. We will be signing up people at the spaghetti dinner.
- The theme is "A Knight in Hollywood." It will be on February 11, 2012. Dinner at 6:00 PM, dancing at 7:30 PM. There will be a silent auction. Please think of items to donate for the auction. It will be at the DoubleTree Hotel, 7801 E. Orchard Road, Greenwood Village, CO 80111. Price: \$60/person. Costumes are optional, but feel free to dress like a movie star or character.

#### Insurance Agent's Report—(Greg Archunde)

As of Feb. 1, Greg will no longer be our insurance agent representative. Tonight will be his last meeting with us. Once and awhile the K of C shakes things up and moves agents. His friendships with us will last and he will keep in touch. We may see him again introducing our new agent or at another after-meeting meeting.

# **Unfinished Business**

(Jim Butler) The Squires program is moving forward. We may be able to start by Feb. 1. It has been said that it is easier to raise good children than to fix broken men.

Tony Meli stated that we have raised \$2,700 toward the \$7,500 needed for the Mother Mary statue fundraiser. \$350 from our council will go to this, taken from the decoration line item in our budget.

An initiative from our council to State was read which asks the State to encourage all councils to work towards the Ultrasound Machine Initiative.

#### New Business

No new business.

#### **Communications/Announcements**

(Gary Cahill) Gary's wife Sheri has agreed to help run the Girl Scout Cookie Delivery location this year. The only day she will be delivering cookies will be on January 21 from 7:30am until 6pm at the Douglas County Fairgrounds in Castle Rock. She is in need of volunteers. These volunteers will be loading vehicles with cases of Girl Scout Cookies. Volunteers can either be Knights or even high schoolers in need of fulfilling their volunteer hours. If anyone is in need of additional information they are welcome to email Sheri at sgcahill317@comcast.net.

(Myles Ogea) Feb. 18 will be St. Mark's Lenten Traditions Celebration. The theme will be Mardi Gras.

(Myles Ogea) On March 3, a professional choir is coming to sing with us. They will need housing so please let Myles know if you can provide.

(Myles Ogea) Myles has formed the St. Mark Believers ministry. The purpose is to take St. Mark parishioners on a positive and growth oriented physical, mental and spiritual journey through prayer, exercise, etc.

On March 31 we will have the 2nd and 3rd major degrees here at our church.

(Damon Franks) The Gathering of Men Retreat in Estes Park is this Jan. 21-22. It's a wonderful experience with good fellowship with brother Knights that stay in a cabin together. Talk to Damon for more information.

(Damon Franks) Marked Men for Christ. The next weekend event is this Jan. 27-29 in Grant, CO. Marked Men is worldwide and started here in CO. Talk to Damon for more information.

(Patrick McAllen) The Social Justice and Outreach ministry is bringing a blood drive by Bonfils to St Mark on Jan. 29 from 9 to 1.

#### We will be having a planning meeting the Mon. before every business meeting on the first Thurs. of the month.

#### Awards

- Knight of the Month: Skip Wood
- Family of the Month: The Archunde family.

#### Under Good of the Order

Webb McDonald spoke to the council on what being a Knight means to him.

# **Prayer Intentions:**

- Unemployed Brothers
- Kurt Haneke
- The Butler family
- Kathy Michaud
- The Engle family
- Patrons of the Alternative Pregnancy Center
- People dealing with cancer and cancer treatments
- Tim Savko
- Colleen Tierney
- Dick Franks
- Chris Engel and family, and his friends Jake Whattam, Matt Rons and Daniel Scribner
- Melissa Whattam
- Kirsta Franks
- John Turchiano
- Rose Blackburn
- Tony Blackburn
- Geralyn Lesnick
- Daniella Martin
- Steven Adams
- Lorreta Comorato (Tony Meli's sister)
- Peter Maddocks
- Robert Leustik and family (Wayne Costa's cousin)
- Carole (Miller) Gilmore
- Debbi Serfas of Brentwood, TN
- Kay Smith (Terry Sandrock's mother in law)
- Lois Mari
- Stacey Herr
- Donald Crilly
- Mike Hudock
- Tim Mosholder
- Phyllis Wheeler
- Theresa Chavez
- Gavin Dirito
- Gerald Denk
- Philip Beiriger
- Sister Helene Lentz
- Hildegard Seniw
- George Culp
- Juli Sullivan
- Greg Archunde
- Dennis Newkirk
- Laura Marcum
- Susan Kline
- Jim Lible

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Church Director	John Park	303-667-7287
Youth Director	Tristan Solome	