



# GOOD KNIGHT NEWS

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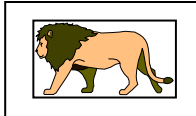


From the Desk of Grand Knight  
Bob Marko



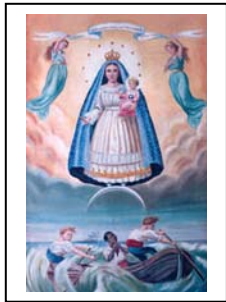
March Meetings 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.  
Meetings start at 7 PM in the St  
Vincent De Paul Building

## In like a Lion...

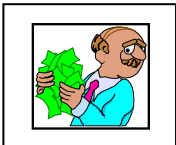


March Madness does not only apply to college hoopsters. The local Knights have been busy whipping up their own brand of excitement. Consider these events.

## Our Lady of Charity



On Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008, the local Knights hosted the prayer service for Our Lady of Charity. A replica of the painting of Our Lady was circulated through the KOC councils in Kentucky. The one-hour prayer service was performed by Fr. Shijo, and well attended by over thirty people. The devotion dates back to the 1600's when three Cuban fishermen, shipwrecked by a storm, received a picture of Our Lady fastened to a floating timber. Prayers have been said in Her honor ever since.



## UHA Texas Hold-Em

March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008 is a volunteer Texas Hold-Em for UHA. Several Knights will give their time and skills to help out Imelda Gorman and the UHA folks in staffing their fund raiser. Imelda's been extremely helpful to the Knight dealers. This is a way to help her out and contribute to a worthy cause.

## REMINDER

### Third Degree

Very Important.....take notice.

All Second Degree Knights are expected to attend

One February 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Clarksville, Tennessee Degree Team exemplified the Second Degree. It was very moving and well done. Now it is time for the Third Degree Ceremony.

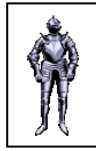
The Third Degree Exemplification is scheduled for Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 3:00 PM. The Ceremony will take about two hours. It will be conducted by the Tennessee Degree Team. We very much appreciate the help from our brother Knights from Tennessee. To those Knights who were present at the Second degree – rejoin us for this ceremony. This is a significant step in the life of a Knight.

All Third Degree Brother Knights are strongly encouraged to attend the Degree in support of our Second Degree Brothers.

There will be a meal and some refreshments after the Degree.



## **Knight of the Month**



The Knight of the Month is John Soldo. John is almost singularly responsible for the Right to Life crosses erected in the field across from the parish. Each year, John is in-charge of this project. He maintains the crosses in his barn, paints and repairs them, then plants the crosses in January each year. John and his wife Kathy and the twins – Jerome and Christy have been extremely active in sports and academics at SPP for several years. John is someone you call on when you need to get things done. Thanks, John. The crosses make a powerful statement about our stand against abortion and for Right to Life.

## **Family of the Month**



We are proud to announce the Family of the month is a new member – Chas Mowen. Chas, his wife Nicole and their two children, Marie and Charles Marion IV, are very active in the SPP School and parish. You may have seen Chas working at the Fish Fry, or dealing with the Knights Texas Hold-Ems. Chas is a 13-year disabled veteran. He and his family are originally from Slidell, Louisiana – just outside New Orleans. Chas was a detective in New Orleans during Katrina. The family moved during the aftermath of the hurricane. Nicole has a degree in Math and teaches Seventh grade at SPP. Chas coaches SPP soccer and boys basketball, while attending APSU majoring in History and Education. Thanks Chas. You've done a great job in helping out when needed.

## **Senior Knight of the Month**



Bill Harkins is our Senior Knight of the Month. Bill hails from West Virginia. He and his wife Linda were high school sweethearts. Bill is a physical therapist who moved here in 1966 and worked for Jennie Stuart for 30 years. He also worked part time in several other locations, notably Christian Health Center, starting there in 1978. Bill first joined the KOC in Bowling Green in 1964. He was one of the charter members of the SPP Men's Club in 1969. The Men's Club later became the KOC Council here in 1982. Bill was treasurer of the KOC council for 15 years, and also held various other officer positions. He has four children, six grand children, and three great-grandchildren. He was a contemporary of Bob Brown, Rocky Spader, Marvin Mahoney, Lonnie Wimsatt, Dr. Battah, and Frank Rogers. Bill is no stranger to the SPP kitchen. He's run the spaghetti suppers for the council for several years. You'll usually see Bill on the softball field with the Stars every spring. He's a great pitcher, good golfer, good cook, and a great Knight. Say Hi to Bill the next time you see him.

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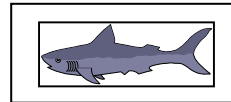


We are still looking for a Knight to step forward and become a Field Agent for the Western Kentucky area. Do you need a new career, or are you retired and looking for something meaningful, this just might be for you. Call Dan Turnwald. Ask all the questions you need to ask.



## **Our Future**

Our council continues to grow and expand its activities. Consider asking some one to become a Knight. Please call Bob Marko (886-0921) or Bart Hulsmeyer (498-3202). We'll be glad to answer your questions.



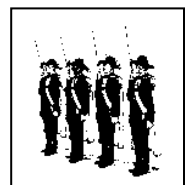
## **It's Frying time Again**

It's Fish Fry time again. At this writing, we will have two events under our belt. February 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> were the first two Fry dates. The last is scheduled for March 14<sup>th</sup>. We have had a great turn-out so far. Knights – please respond to chairman Jim Creighton on lending a hand. We need cooks, servers, helpers, runners, cleanup-ers etc. You will have a great time and meet people in the parish who you may not have had a chance to meet before. Wear your blue Knights shirts, if possible. We're averaging about 225 people each evening – so lots of help is needed. We get great reports on the quality of the meal. Better than ever!

## **[Andersons Attend Vatican Meeting on Women](#)**

Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson and his wife Dorian participated in a Vatican congress Feb. 7-9 to commemorate the 20th anniversary of Pope John Paul II's apostolic letter on the dignity and vocation of women. Organized by the Pontifical Council for the Laity, the event emphasized the enduring relevance of Pope John Paul II's insights in *Mulieris Dignitatem*.

The 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting is March 9<sup>th</sup> at Madisonville. Repast at 6 PM and the Meeting starts at 7 PM.



**Other March Events**



March 15<sup>th</sup> is the annual parish “Clean Sweep” day. The Knights usually have participation of 20-30 members helping out. No advance notice is needed. Just show up at the parish parking lot. Bring your favorite pitch fork or shovel. There’s plenty to do. Lunch is provided.

March 25<sup>th</sup> is the national Day of the Unborn Child. The Knights will have prayers cards in support of Right to Life available at all the weekend masses on March 29-30.

March 29<sup>th</sup> is the anniversary of Father Michael J McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus.

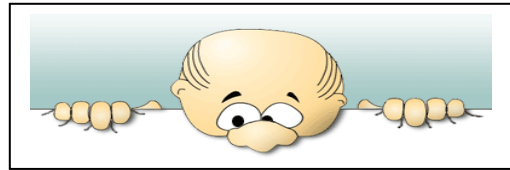
The annual Easter Egg Hunt, otherwise known as the “Fastest Two Minutes in Sports”, will be held on the parish grounds at 8:30 AM on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. There are two fields set up for the hunt. The upper field next to the playground is for the older children. The grassy area around the Mary stature is reserved for the smaller hunters. All families should meet outside between the parish hall and the church. Joe Schippers is the “Egg-Master”. Joe will need a few KOC volunteers to hide the eggs around 0745. Contact Joe if you can help. It doesn’t take long!

[Abortion Proponents Back Down on AIDS Legislation](#)

Faced with firm opposition from the Knights of Columbus, the U.S Bishops Conference, many other pro-life groups, and the White House, the House Foreign Affairs Committee has agreed to drop language that would have opened the door to using AIDS relief funds to pay for abortions in Africa. The committee’s action was taken during a meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 27.

[Cross-Canada Pilgrimage Counted on Knights](#)

The Ark of the New Covenant, the symbolic centerpiece of this summer’s International Eucharistic Congress (IEC), will begin the final leg of its trip to Quebec City starting on Easter, March 23.



**UPCOMING EVENTS**



**MARCH**

8	UHA Texas Hold-Em	
9	Third Degree	
12	Business Meeting	
14	Fish Fry #3	
15	Parish Cleanup Day Lunch will be served	
17	St. Patrick’s Day	
21	Good Friday	
22	Easter Egg Hunt	
23	Easter Sunday	
25	Day of the Unborn	
26	Social Meeting	
29	Founders Day Fr McGivney 126 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Knights of Columbus	
30	Corporate Communion	

**APRIL**



In the past months, Pope Benedict XVI has spoken several times about what he calls an “educational emergency” with regard to defending and promoting the Christian values of marriage and family. In 2006, the Knights helped to promote a U.S. federal marriage amendment that unfortunately did not pass – but there has been success on the state level. So far, 27 states have passed constitutional amendments protecting marriage as the union of husband and wife. In addition to financial support from the Supreme Council, Knights are encouraged to assist with the mission of the National Organization for Marriage (NOM) on a grassroots level. That mission, NOM President Maggie Gallagher says, is to “protect marriage and the faith communities that sustain it.” “The Knights are the foot soldiers for the bishops and the faith,” says Gallagher

[International Day of the Unborn Child](#)

The Knights of Columbus has been a leader in the pro-life movement for over 30 years. With the International Day of the Unborn Child soon approaching — March 31 this year — Knights have the opportunity to stand up and speak out against the evil of abortion. Councils use the Day of the Unborn Child to come together with friends and family to host a variety of prayer programs within the Church and their communities that show our never-ending commitment to unborn children.



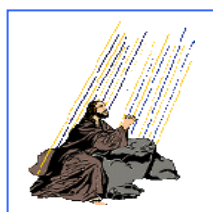
**CHURCH ACTIVITIES**

**Bingo Schedule**

Arrive for Bingo before 7PM and stay until closing. If you can not work on your scheduled night call another Knight or Chuck Pucket Bingo is **important** to the Parish and if it is **important** to the Parish it is **VERY important** to the Knights of Columbus.



Mar 6	Tim Barnes	885-6606
Mar 13	Bill Rush	885-2888
Mar 20	Doyle Shelton	886-3560
Mar 27	Tommy Craft	885-8632
Apr 3	Kelly King	889-0725
Apr 10	Greg Jones	885-9175
Apr 17	Chuck Puckett	886-8094



**MARCH Adoration**



1-Mar	12:00-1:00 a.m.	Bob Marko	886-0921	22-Mar	12:00-1:00 a.m.	Dick Dymek	885-5754
1-Mar	1:00 - 2:00 a.m.	Larry Puckett	886-6440	22-Mar	1:00 - 2:00 a.m.	Chris Thomas	424-2461
6-Mar	1:00 - 2:00 a.m.	Bill Chaudoin	885-3774	27-Mar	1:00 - 2:00 a.m.	Don McCowan	886-4605
6-Mar	2:00 - 3:00 a.m.	Karl Prunitsch	886-8617	27-Mar	2:00 - 3:00 a.m.	Jim Creighton	886-0454
8-Mar	12:00-1:00 a.m.	Franco Cincotti	886-2241	29-Mar	12:00-1:00 a.m.	Bob Marko	886-0921
8-Mar	1:00 - 2:00 a.m.	Tim Barnes	885-6606	3-Apr	1:00 - 2:00 a.m.	Bill Chaudoin	885-3774
13-Mar	1:00 - 2:00 a.m.	Carl Schmidt	886-1824	3-Apr	2:00 - 3:00 a.m.	Karl Prunitsch	886-8617
13-Mar	2:00 - 3:00 a.m.	John Soldo	889-9695	5-Apr	12:00-1:00 a.m.	Franco Cincotti	886-2241
15-Mar	12:00-1:00 a.m.	Doyle Shelton	886-3560	5-Apr	1:00 - 2:00 a.m.	Tim Barnes	885-6606
15-Mar	1:00 - 2:00 a.m.	Marvin Mahoney	886-2569	10-Apr	1:00 - 2:00 a.m.	Carl Schmidt	886-1824
20-Mar	1:00 - 2:00 a.m.	Chris Stevens	886-0050	10-Apr	2:00 - 3:00 a.m.	John Soldo	889-9695
20-Mar	2:00 - 3:00 a.m.	Ron Lee	886-5504				