



# GOOD KNIGHT NEWS

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From the Desk of Grand Knight  
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March meetings on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>  
Meetings start at 7 PM in the St Vincent De Paul  
Building

**March 11<sup>th</sup> is the Benefits Night at the PADD Building. This is an open meeting night, bring the family, refreshments will be served.**

**6:00 PM ---- 6:00 PM**

Spring is on it's way. Really, it is. This winter seems like it will never end but it will and the flowers will bloom and the back yard pools will open and the gardens will get tilled.



Warm breezes will blow and the BBQ will bring everyone into the back yard. We will turn off the heating and turn on the air conditioning, so, until then, hang in there.

February 25<sup>th</sup> was Ash Wednesday and the count down stars for Holy Week of Easter and our redemption begins. Holy Week can be documented to a specific day and month. It was during Passover that Jesus Christ was arrested, tortured and crucified. Passover is well documented with the Spring Equinox In the year 325 AD (Nicene Council) astronomers approximated the dates of all the full moons in the year for the Western Christian churches. These were called the Ecclesiastical Full Moon dates, and they have been used ever since 326 AD to determine the date of Easter. So, the Paschal Full Moon is always the first Ecclesiastical Full Moon date after March 20 (which happened to be the vernal equinox date in 325 AD). The Paschal Full Moon can vary as much as two days from the date of the actual full moon, with dates ranging from March 21 to April 18. As a result, Easter can range from March 22 through April 25. This year it is April 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Benefits Night March 11<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at PADD**

March is the third month of the year in the Gregorian Calendar, and one of the seven months, which are 31 days long. The name of March comes from ancient Rome, when March was the first month of the year and named *Martius* after Mars, the Roman god of war. In Rome, where the climate is Mediterranean, March is the first month of spring, a logical point for the beginning of the year as well as the start of the military campaign season. The numbered year began on March 1 in Russia until the end of the fifteenth century. Great Britain and her colonies continued to use March 25 until 1752, which was when they finally adopted the Gregorian calendar. Many other cultures and religions still celebrate the beginning of the New Year in March. When our nation was founded, March 4<sup>th</sup> was chosen as the day the President of the United States took the Oath of Office. This was in keeping with the idea that March was the start of the new year. This changed on January 23, 1933 when the Twentieth Amendment to our Constitution stipulated that the Term of Office of the President shall start on January 20<sup>th</sup>. One historical name for March includes the Saxon *Lenctmonat*, named after the equinox and gradual lengthening of days, and the eventual namesake of Lent.

March also brings us good weather. It is a time to start up the old garden and get outside in the fresh air and start the yard clean up. Check out the BBQ and get a look at the pool. Watch for the



Church Spring Cleaning. It is coming April 4<sup>th</sup>

March is also NCAA March Madness time. Pick your team and see what happens.

March 29<sup>th</sup> is the 127<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of the Knights of Columbus by Venerable Fr. M. J. McGivney.

**The Fourth Degree will meet on March 8<sup>th</sup> at Oak Grove. A Repast will be served before the meeting. Repast at 5:00 PM and Meeting at 6:00 PM.**



Say hello to our newest members. They completed their First Degree on February 18<sup>th</sup> at the PADD Building. Pictured below are Bob Sheil, Nick Smith and Jon Wilkins with District Deputy John Dunham

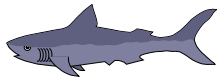


We expect to see them at our next meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup> at the St Vincent De Paul Conference Room.

## Did someone say Fish Fry



Yes we did. OK Brother Knights. It is time to show off and do the Fish Fry Friday during Lent. We will serve from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM.



We need all the volunteers we can get. If you only do one thing this year, this is it. The Cooking Folz's will be outside again under the awning. Chuck will show us once again how to make Slaw. Chris will do the fishing in the gym kitchen and Rocky will show everyone his special way to handle the deserts. Jerry will make the ice tea and do the serving line while Larry will be in his corner with Todd. Dave will make sure the tables are clean. Tim and Jim will be collecting at the door.

# Join Us

Brothers, they can not do it alone. It takes many hands to make this look like a well-oiled machine. We serve at 5:00 PM so be there sometime after 3:30 to get this started.

The dates are March 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Stations of the Cross is at 6:00 PM

Benefits Night 6 PM on March 11<sup>th</sup> at PADD

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Keep March 11<sup>th</sup> open as the day we will host the long awaited Benefits Night. There are a number of members looking to obtain insurance. Look for information about the Annuity Program and 401k Programs. Bring the family. If you have small children, we will baby sit. Refreshments will be served. The place is at the PADD Office. Time should be about 7:00 PM. If you are uninsurable, look at the other options available to members and their wives. Bring plenty of questions with you. You don't know what you are missing if you don't attend.

## A Fulfilling Career

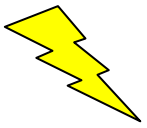
With more than \$66 billion of life insurance in force, our insurance program is growing. In order to sustain this growth, we need to continue to attract high quality men to our field force of professional general and field agents.

Our ideal candidate is highly motivated, has a proven record of success, likes meeting new people and believes strongly in the value of Knights of Columbus Insurance. He's currently employed, but may be looking for a career change or to take more control of his career.

Are there men in your council who fit the above description? Give their names to myself, or to your local field agent. In addition to being one of your general agent's "centers of influence," if the man signs an agent contract with us, you'll have the opportunity to earn some extra money for yourself and your council through our "Fraternal Fistful of Dollars" program.

I also encourage you to check out the "Career Opportunities" section of the Order's Website, [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org), where you will be able to view a short video presentation on "A Day in the Life of a Knights of Columbus Field Agent" as well as hear from three successful field agents on what attracted them to their career and how it provides them with a sense of fulfillment they can't get anywhere else.

There has never been a more exciting time to be involved with Knights of Columbus Insurance! Why not offer that opportunity available to qualified men in your council? This career is as good as it gets! Dan Turnwald, General Agent for Kentucky



# BINGO Is



## Coming to the Knights of Columbus

In case you have been out of town or just haven't heard, Sts Peter and Paul will no longer have a Bingo Game at the AmVets,

Our Council has applied for a Gaming License and has met with a representative of the Gaming Commissioners Office. We should receive our Gaming License some time around March 4<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup>.



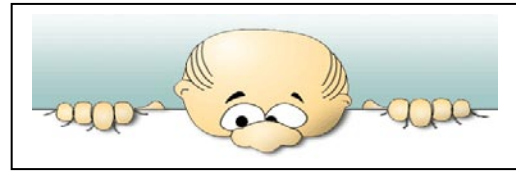
A Seminar is scheduled for March 14<sup>th</sup>. Mary Martin will do the seminar for us. She is the representative who will also audit us. We need many hands to accomplish

Bingo twice a week. The Chairmen are in place and volunteers are needed to make this a success.

We will completely take over Bingo on Thursday and Friday nights starting the first week in April. It should take a few months to get up to speed but we can and will do this. Tom Buehrle and Chas Mowen have volunteered to be the bookkeepers and do our monthly and quarterly reports. We need volunteers as "callers", cash register, TED machines, and pull tab sellers. 7 or 8 to volunteer each bingo night. Anyone can volunteer so if you bring your wife, a neighbor, or friend they can do one of the chores.

The Gaming License will have a Texas Hold'em and Raffle addendum. We can sell the pull tabs at just about any event we host and all raffles will be completely legal. We can hold two Texas Hold'em per year. All we have to do is complete the reports needed by the State.

We can accomplish so much more with the proceeds that Bingo will give us. If you have attended our meetings you know that many worthy causes request donations, some we just have to turn down and others we give what we can. Hopefully with all Brother Knights helping, we can do more.



## UPCOMING EVENTS



### March

|    |  |  |
|----|--|--|
| 6  | Fish Fry in the Gym  |  |
| 11 | Benefits Night at PADD   |  |
| 11 | Business Meeting/at PADD                                       |  |
| 14 | Bingo Instruction/Seminar                                      |  |
| 17 | St Patrick's Day   |  |
| 20 | Fish Fry in the Gym  |  |
| 25 | Feast of the Annunciation                                      |  |
| 25 | Day of the Unborn Child  |  |
| 25 | Social Meeting   |  |
| 29 | Corporate Communion for our Deported Brothers                  |  |
| 29 | 127 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of K of C Founded by Fr McGivney |  |

### April

|    |                         |  |
|----|-------------------------|--|
| 3  | Fish Fry in the Gym     |  |
| 8  | Business Meeting        |  |
| 10 | Good Friday             |  |
| 12 | Easter Sunday           |  |
| 22 | Social Meeting          |  |
| 22 | Golf Tournament Meeting |  |

**This is your council. Attend the meetings and add your voice. Get in on the planing of something that interests you, or bring something up that we should be doing that we are not doing.**

Peter Milbauer is restarting the Knights of Columbus Choir. He has contacted someone who will instruct us and help us rehearse our singing. We did pretty good as a choir and received many complements. She will put together a short list of songs we can do at Mass and be able to do these songs over and over again. All we need to do is provide a baby sitter for her during the week and Chas volunteered his wife for the sitters job. Rehearsals will be on a night that is not a Wednesday. As all Brother Knights are aware, we hold our meetings on Wednesday.

Dave Allard reports that all is well with the Cub Scouts. Also, Fr Tony is back in the USA and will try to meet some of us before he returns to Afghanistan.

Thanks to all for helping at the APSU Basketball game. We took the Special Needs people there and they had a tremendous time. Tony and Dick did a great job as usual.

## FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulations to the winners of our Council Free Throw Contest. We had a total of 29 participants.

| <u>Age</u> | <u>Boys</u>     | <u>Girls</u>      |
|------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 10         | Noah Thomas     | Simone Piffke     |
| 11         | John Langhi     | Eleanora Cincotti |
| 12         | Dillon Folz     | Marlee Thomas     |
| 13         | Joseph Whitfull | Brooklyn Gardner  |
| 14         | Chris Kinnard   | None              |

They also won the District Championship and will now compete in the Regional Finals. When they win there it is off to the State Finals. God Bless.

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES



There will be Stations of the Cross at 6:00 PM every Friday during Lent. Plan to attend at least one night. Keep Josh and Byron in your prayers. Pray for our sick Brother Knights and also for our departed Brother Knights. March 29<sup>th</sup> is our Corporate Communion.

We will hold a Our Lady of Charity Prayer Service on a day during the first two weeks in March. The Icon of Our Lady will be displayed in the Narthex during the two week period, with Fr John's permission of course.



# MARCH Adoration



|        |                  |                 |          |        |                  |                 |          |
|--------|------------------|-----------------|----------|--------|------------------|-----------------|----------|
| 26-Feb | 12:00-1:00 a.m.  | Gary Harden     | 886-6382 | 19-Mar | 12:00-1:00 a.m.  | Dick Dymek      | 885-5754 |
| 26-Feb | 1:00 - 2:00 a.m. | Chas Mowan      | 305-4330 | 19-Mar | 1:00 - 2:00 a.m. | Chris Thomas    | 424-2461 |
| 3-Mar  | 1:00 - 2:00 a.m. | Bruce Wilcox    | 484-0523 | 24-Mar | 1:00 - 2:00 a.m. | Don McCowan     | 886-4605 |
| 3-Mar  | 2:00 - 3:00 a.m. | Dick Dymek      | 885-5754 | 24-Mar | 2:00 - 3:00 a.m. | Jim Creighton   | 886-0454 |
| 5-Mar  | 12:00-1:00 a.m.  | Franco Cincotti | 886-2241 | 26-Mar | 12:00-1:00 a.m.  | Gary Harden     | 886-6382 |
| 5-Mar  | 1:00 - 2:00 a.m. | Tim Barnes      | 885-6606 | 26-Mar | 1:00 - 2:00 a.m. | Chas Mowan      | 305-4330 |
| 10-Mar | 1:00 - 2:00 a.m. | Carl Schmidt    | 886-1824 | 31-Mar | 1:00 - 2:00 a.m. | Bruce Wilcox    | 484-0523 |
| 10-Mar | 2:00 - 3:00 a.m. | John Soldo      | 889-9695 | 31-Mar | 2:00 - 3:00 a.m. | Karl Prunitsch  | 886-8617 |
| 12-Mar | 12:00-1:00 a.m.  | Doyle Shelton   | 886-3560 | 2-Apr  | 12:00-1:00 a.m.  | Franco Cincotti | 886-2241 |
| 12-Mar | 1:00 - 2:00 a.m. | Marvin Mahoney  | 886-2569 | 2-Apr  | 1:00-2:00 a.m.   | Tim Barnes      | 885-6606 |
| 17-Mar | 1:00 - 2:00 a.m. | Chris Stevens   | 886-0050 | 7-Apr  | 1:00 - 2:00 a.m. | Carl Schmidt    | 886-1824 |
| 17-Mar | 2:00 - 3:00 a.m. | Ron Lee         | 886-5504 | 7-Apr  | 2:00 - 3:00 a.m. | John Soldo      | 889-9695 |



## **Knight of the Month**

Jerry Adams is the Knight of the Month for March. Jerry was born in Christian County and moved to Detroit when he was 11, when his father went to work for GM. He moved back to Hopkinsville when he was 17. He married his wife Vonnie who lived in Owensboro 41 years ago. Jerry has 2 sons, 3 grand daughters and 1 grandson to keep him busy. He is very active with Sts. Peter and Paul School volunteering to assist with lunches and was an integral part of Monte Carlo Night this past month. Jerry was there from set-up to tear down and collected many of the donations for the event. He has been and will continue to be a big part of the Knight's Fish fries taking care of many of the kitchen duties. On Sundays, Jerry can be spotted ushering for mass. He is someone you can count on when you need something and we are proud to call him a Brother Knight.



## **Senior Knight of the Month**

Rocky Spader is the senior Knight of the month. Rocky was originally from Connecticut and moved to Hopkinsville in 1996 for work with Emhart Pop Fasteners. He did spend 3-1/2 years in the Navy in peace time between the wars. He retired from Emhart and now enjoys retirement with his wife JoAnn. They will be married 50 years this September. They have 3 children 2 boys and a girl, eight grandchildren; 6 boys and 2 girls. Rocky was part of the Sts Peter Paul men's club prior to there being a Knights council. He was one of the charter members of our council. Rocky has been a big part of our building committee and has visited other councils trying to find out how they went about constructing their buildings. He has help at almost every function that the knights are involved with from soliciting donations, fish fries, golf scrambles, you name it Rocky is usually there. He is a regular at our monthly business meetings and always finds time to attend our first degrees. He is a joy to be around and a real go getter.



## **Family of the Month**

The Family of the month is the Bill Rush family. Bill and Jenny are the council's Pro-life couple. Bill is the retired Assistant Fire Chief from Ft. Campbell and presently is the President of the Pennyrile Right to Life. Jenny serves as the historian for the Pennyrile Right to Life. They have one son Paul who is 12 and attends Sts. Peter and Paul School and is in 6th grade. The family was spotted together over Christmas walking in the Christian County Christmas Parade with the Right to Life group. Bill and Jenny have helped lead our council in a number of events, most notably the Garden of Remembrance, where small concrete angels are placed around a larger Guardian Angel in a garden spot by the church. The smaller angels are placed to remember a lost child. Bill helped this past month when a pallbearer was needed for a funeral. He assists on Sunday as an Usher. His son Paul can be found at most masses serving. He comes in at most every mass he is at and volunteers. Bill most recently assisted one of our Brother Knights Jose Quinonez as they relocated furniture for Jose's mother in law.

**Our Golf Tournament is 8:00 AM on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at Western Hill Golf Course.**



**Entry Fee is \$60.00 per person deadline Os May 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**This includes Cart and Green Fees**

**Prizes frof he Longest Drive and Closest to the Hole. We will pay out prizes to the 5<sup>th</sup> place finishers.**

**Hole Sponsors are \$100.00. Please get a golfer or a sponsor. See Tom Buehrie, Tony Esposito, Rocky Spader, Larry Puckett or Chas Mowen for more information and registration. Ladies are always welcome.**



We held an Alcohol and Substance Poster Contest. It looks like the entire school body participated. We extend and appreciation for the art teacher Mrs. Susan Intessimoni who helped the students and allowed them class time to work on their projects. The winner were awarded a cash prize at the District Level and will now compete in the State Finals.

### **The winners are**

|                |                  |                  |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| <u>Grade</u> 3 | Olivia Folz      | Alex Bagh        |
| 4              | Simone Pifflo    | Anna Garnett     |
| 5              | Kristina Ligibel | Jordan Kelly     |
| 6              | Sean Burkhart    | Jamie Price      |
| 6              | Rachel Holmes    | Mary Kranz       |
| 7              | Zack Nosbush     |                  |
| 8              | Chris Carnard    | Elizabeth Muldin |

**Don't forget about the Benefits Night on March 11<sup>th</sup> at the PADD Building at 6:00 PM. If you joined the Knights of Columbus after March 2008 you are still considered a New Member for our Insurance Programs.**

**If you are self employed you will find this Benefits Night very interesting. If you believe Social Security will not be there for you when you retire, then you will also find the Benefits Night very interesting.**

**It is not only an Insurance Benefit, but it is also a Retirement Benefit that might fit you just right. Or it could be Long Term Care or Annuities for yourself or your wife and children, or grandchildren**

**Bring the family and anyone you may think is interested in our Benefits and will join our ranks.**