



Knigh**t**ly News

A Blessed Thanksgiving to All!!!

November 2002

Knights of Columbus Council

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Volunteers Needed!

6—Coffee and Donuts at St. Mark on 11/17
 5—Parking at Pax Christi Christmas Masses (includes Christmas Eve.
 1—Bread Run (every third week for a year)
 20—Pancake Breakfast at St. Mark on 12/15
 3 to 5—Christmas Card Sales After Masses in Nov/Dec

Contacts: Pax Christi: Joe Nickels
 St. Mark: Dan Timmerman



The next business meeting is
 Saturday, November 9, 2002 at
 7:30 am at the Highlands Ranch
 Library Meeting Room A. Please
 plan to attend.

A First Degree Ceremony will
 be held during the business
 meeting

Grand Knight's Corner

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all members of this council for their continued support and participation in council activities this past year. I wish each member and their families a blessed and joyous holiday season. The following Thanksgiving Prayer is dedicated to this council. May God bless each of you and your family.

*Thank you, God, for happy things,
 Like spending time with people I love,
 Like silly rhymes with made-up lines
 And birdsongs and breezes and sunshine above.*

*And thank you, Lord, for created things,
 Like silvery fish that swim in the brook,
 Like walks in the woods when leaves turn bright
 And the beauty I see wherever I look.*

*And thank you, God, for loving things,
 Like spicy kitchen smells on Thanksgiving Day,
 Like Mommy's arms when things go wrong,
 Like a phone call from those who live far away.*

*And thank you, God, for quiet things,
 Like snowflakes that silently fall in the night,
 Like good-night kisses that brush my face
 When loved ones come to tuck me in tight.*

*Lord, you take care of my family
 Every minute throughout the year.
 I'm glad you give me this special day
 To thank you for your loving care.*

*Please help families all over the world
 And the forgotten people who live alone.
 Tell them how much you care about them
 So they will know the joy I have known.*
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Joe Nickels

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New Mysteries of Light

On October 16, 2002, Pope John Paul II issued a new apostolic letter on the rosary, adding five new "Mysteries of Light" to the rosary in the Marian prayer format. The mysteries are suggested for Thursdays and they focus on Jesus' public life. Until now, the 15 mysteries of the rosary (the joyful, sorrowful, and glorious) lacked decisive moments in Christ's public life. Because of this, the Pope suggested inclusion of the mysteries of Christ's public ministry between His Baptism and His Passion. Christ manifests Himself as the "mystery of light" (John 9:5-I am the light of the world). The 5 mysteries are as follows: (1) Christ's baptism in the Jordan, (2) Christ's self-manifestation at the wedding of Cana, (3) Christ's proclamation of the kingdom of God with His call to conversion, (4) Christ's transfiguration, and finally (5) Christ's institution of the Eucharist as the sacramental expression of the paschal mystery. According to current practice, Monday and Thursday are dedicated to the joyful mysteries, Tuesday and Friday are dedicated to the sorrowful mysteries, and Wednesday and Sunday are dedicated to the glorious mysteries.



I'll never again pick up a penny without thinking about this!

Several years ago, a friend of mine and her husband were invited to spend the weekend at the husband's employer's home. My friend, Arlene, was nervous about the weekend. The boss was very wealthy, with a fine home on the waterway, and cars costing more than her house. The first day and evening went well, and Arlene was delighted to have this rare glimpse into how the very wealthy live.

The husband's employer was quite generous as a host, and took them to the finest restaurants. Arlene knew she would never have the opportunity to indulge in this kind of extravagance again, so was enjoying herself immensely. As the three of them were about to enter an exclusive restaurant that evening, the boss was walking slightly ahead of Arlene and her husband. He stopped suddenly, looking down on the pavement for a long, silent moment. Arlene wondered if she was supposed to pass him. There was nothing on the ground except a single darkened penny that someone had dropped, and a few cigarette butts. Still silent, the man reached down and picked up the penny. He held it up and smiled, then put it in his pocket as if he had found a great treasure. How absurd! What need did this man have for a single penny? Why would he even take the time to stop and pick it up?

Throughout dinner, the entire scene nagged at her. Finally, she could stand it no longer. She casually mentioned that her daughter once had a coin collection, and asked if the penny he had found had been valuable. A smile crept across the man's face as he reached into his pocket for the penny and held it out for her to see. She had seen many pennies before. What he point of this?

"Look at it." He said. "Read what it says." She read the words "United States of America." "No, not that, read further." "One cent?" "No, keep reading." The man said. "In God we trust?" "Yes", the man said. "And?"

"And if I trust in God, the name of God is holy even on a coin.

New Seminarian to be Sponsored by our Council

Our council is sponsoring a new seminarian this year, Matt Basgall, who is attending St. John Vianney College Seminary in St. Paul, MN. The 23-year old is a parishioner from St. Gabriel's in Colorado Springs. Before entering the seminary, he served four years in the Air Force as a chaplain's assistant. While in the military, Matt was stationed at Buloxi, MS, then deployed to Kuwait, then assigned to South Korea. He finished serving the Air Force last December. We will be providing Matt \$500 each year while he is in the seminary. Matt will receive a copy of our

Whenever I find a coin I see the inscription. It is written on every single U.S. coin, but we never seem to notice it! God drops a message right in front of me telling me to trust Him. Who am I to pass it by? When I see a coin, I pray, I stop to see if my trust is in God at that moment. I pick up the coin as a response to God; that I do trust in Him...for a short time, at least, I cherish it as if it were gold. I think it is God's way of starting a conversation with me. Lucky for me, God is patient and pennies are plentiful!"



Tootsie Roll Drive Helping The Mentally Handicapped

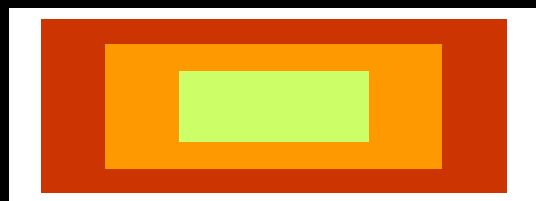
Our council, Rev Robert F Houlihan S.J. Council #10937, is located in Highlands Ranch, CO and serves two parishes (Pax Christi and St. Mark). The council holds its annual tootsie roll drive in October to collect donations that benefit the mentally handicapped in our community. A total of \$3,532 was collected during the drive this year. Thirty percent of the proceeds will go to the State program to help fund the Colorado Special Olympics (\$1,059). The council would like to donate the other 70% of the proceeds (\$2,473) to local community organizations. The organizations will be voted on at our next meeting.

Children are only 25% of the populationbut 100% of our future

Author Unknown



monthly newsletter with an invitation to join the Knights of Columbus. We welcome Matt and support him in all that he is doing during his studies towards the priesthood. Matt welcomes anyone to email him at mattbasgall@cymnetwork.com.



Minutes of the October General Council Meeting

Minutes of the February October 19th, 2002 General Council Meeting, called to order at 8:02 am.

General

The minutes of the September 14th meeting were approved with the following notes:

- A treasurer’s report was provided.
- Dan Lazzeri’s name was spelled incorrectly as Lazarie.

Applications for Membership

Phillip Hasty is a Pax Christi parishioner along with his wife and five children. He is currently unemployed. Phillip was recruited at the Pax Christi Ministry Fair.

Jim Hoskins is a St. Mark parishioner. Jim’s wife is Colleen. Jim’s father recently passed away. His father was a long time member of the Knights and Jim looks forward to joining.

Tom Morrissey will be transferring in from St. Thomas More; however, a form 100 was not available.

Grand Knight’s Report

Thank you to all those who helped out with the Tootsie Roll drive for the mentally handicapped. In particular, Jack Doyle and Steve Schaffer who helped coordinate the event.

A council survey was submitted to Supreme. The survey contained the council number and affirmation of the two parishes currently served by the council.

Traveling crucifixes are available for family and friends of the Knights.

The Pax Christi liquor license will be discussed at the planning meeting, which is October 22nd at 6:30 pm at Joe Nickels’ home.

Thank you Gary Johnson and Dan Timmerman for coordinating the Pax Christi and St. Mark bulletin article on the Knights.

To raise additional funds for the council, Kohls offers the chance to work during the holidays. The pay is \$7 per hour to the charity. The work is bagging or stocking, mostly Wednesday and Saturday. More details as we get closer.

The Highlands Ranch Herald carried an article on the St. Thomas More council tootsie roll drive. Nice to see a secular paper carry this article.

“Pennies from Heaven” collection.

Chaplain’s Report

Thank you to the 4th Degree Honor Guard that served at the Pax Christi Church Dedication ceremony. Also, thank you to the Knights who helped out with the parking. This is a great help and will also be needed during Christmas masses. Hard to believe that last October the worship space was only dirt.

Wednesday, October 23rd at 5 pm, there will be a Diocesan Leadership Mass at Pax Christi, with a meal to follow. The Knights are asked to host the meal

Pax Christi will host a Fall Festival on Sunday, October 20th. There will be activities for all ages.

The country is facing serious situations with war and the tremendous loss of jobs. These are challenging times and fear is a nasty demon. What is needed, rather than fear, are trust, courage and hope. The rest of the world has faced more challenging times. Be a strong witness of faith and use the grace of God to face the challenges and persevere.

Treasurer’s Report

No report.

Receipts Read

Receipts:

- Capuchin’s - \$114
- Shirts paid - \$38.50
- Tootsie Roll - \$3,492.22
- Haley Fund - \$115.90
- Clergy Appreciation - \$175

Bills:

- Catholic Advertising to Supreme - \$75.50
- Tootsie Rolls (33 cases) - \$569.25
- Office Max - \$5.02
- US Postmaster - \$37
- Respect Life Bulletin Inserts—\$109.70

Two new applications were unanimously approved.

Charles Schley donated a leather carrying case for the Financial Secretary laptop. Thank you!

Communications Read

Cortez, CO is hosting a 4th Degree ceremony on November 9th. Contact Joe Nickels if you are interested.

Governor Bill Owens sent a letter regarding October being Mentally Handicapped month. The Knights sponsor the tootsie roll drive in support of the mentally handicapped.

Supreme sent a note on the Marian Hour of Prayer. St. Mark is holding a 24-hour prayer vigil that started Friday, October 18th at 3 pm through the 19th at 3 pm.

Financial Secretary Report

Receipts/bills mentioned previously.

Trustees Report

Al Schopp has volunteered to fill in for the trustee 2nd year position vacated by Mike Melo.

Chancellor Report

The Youth Retreat had 26 attendees. They thank the Knights for the rosaries. The rosary was taught and some prayed it three times during the retreat. Mysteries of light are new for the rosary.

October is Respect Life month, say a rosary for the unborn.

Sacred Heart Retreat House will host a Men's Retreat, "Spirituality for Busy People" from November 15th to the 17th.

The St. John Vianney Seminary in St. Paul, MN is hosting Open House weekends. Father Gus Stewart and Father Jim Kline will be attending in November and February. This is an expenses paid trip for those interested.

Committee Reports:

Membership – (Sal Villano)

Recruiting booth was hosted at the Pax Christ Ministry Fair. Gary Johnson, Joe Nickels, and Michael Burkett helped with manning the booth.

Recruiting information will be available at the Knights Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, October 20th.

One-on-one is the best way to recruit. Talk to your friends and fellow parishioners about the good works the Knights do and invite them to become a member.

Hoping to host a major degree at the Christi Center.

Valentine's Dance planning meeting will be November 15th at Brian Lefever's.

State is disappointed that the council had no one attend the Castle Rock major degree on 10/19. Joe Nickels sent a personal invitation to all 68 1st degrees and Sal Villano called all 68. Schedules did not correlate. Jack Doyle commented that many people he talked to during the Tootsie Roll drive commented on receiving the invitations. Basically, it was not a lack of effort, simply schedules or interest did not match up with this major degree. 14 to 16 people expressed interest in attending if one is held at the Christi Center.

Council – (Paul Sciera)

No report.

Family – (Brian Lefever)

A Valentine's Dance planning meeting will be November 15th at Brian Lefever's. Three couples, in addition to Brian and Kimberly, have volunteered to help. A Silent Auction will only be held if someone steps forward to coordinate. Joe Nickels commented that a Silent Auction is considerable work and he would prefer this outstanding social event stay focused on having fun. Father Ken can comment on the amount of work involved for Pax Christi's silent auction, if some background is needed. The ticket price is still an open item. As the price per plate has gone up, it will be in the \$85 - \$100 price range. Some want it to be higher based on the demand created by last year's event. However, the current economy may drive people away. Provide Brian your comments and better yet, your assistance with the planning.



Youth – (Mike Roy)

December 15th there will be a Knights and Youth bowling night. Four lanes have been reserved.

The free throw contest will be at Wildcat Mountain in late January.

In the spring, work will resume on the adopted trail at Camp Santa Maria. Adults able to use power tools will be required to rebuild benches as well as cut and clear timber.



Upcoming Youth Group Activities

On Sunday, December 15, 2002, the council is invited to join the Youth Group in bowling at the AMF Bowling Lanes in Littleton from 7-9pm. If you would like to bowl with the Youth Group, please contact Mike Roy (Youth Director) at 720-344-7550.

Church – (Michael Burkett)

Christmas cards will be sold again in November and December. Please plan to purchase them through the Knights. Volunteers will be needed after all masses to assist with this effort. Look for more details in the weekly bulletin.

(Mike Bieriger) October is Respect Life month. The Knights are placing bulletin inserts in Pax Christi and St. Mark bulletins, as well as a short paragraph in the bulletin.

Community – (Open)

(Jack Doyle) The Tootsie Roll drive to benefit the Mentally Handicapped was a success. Jack thanked Steve Schaffer for coordinating coverage on the West side of Highlands Ranch. The drive has taken in \$4,000. Once expenses are paid, the remaining step is to decide who receives the 70% the council has to distribute, with the remaining 30% going to state charities. Last year the Highlands Ranch Community Association Special Olympics group received the local monies. The state portion was intended to be distributed to HorsePower, but may have remained with the state. Mike Bieriger proposed that we donate to an organization that does not have corporate sponsorship, which Special Olympics may have. Jack asked for suggested organizations. Mike did not have one. This will be discussed at the planning meeting on October 22nd and a proposal brought to the next meeting. Leftover tootsie rolls are available for \$20 a case or \$5 a small box.

Standing Committees

Memorial to the Unborn (Ron Gerber) – Ray Gerken indicated that it might be received by the end of November. Ron Reitsch will be contacted regarding making a pedestal for the memorial. The memorial is a wooden statue from Italy.

Round Tables:

- Pax Christi – Fall Festival is October 20th.
- There will be another intergenerational mini-mission in January. Committee help is needed.
- St. Mark – Pancake Breakfast is October 20th.

Unfinished Business

Garrett Christnacht is pursuing the Deaconate. The council asked for an estimate of Garrett's travel and living expenses for the Monday night classes near Colorado Springs. Garret provided an estimate of \$250 per semester, which runs 3 to 4 months. Mike Bieriger asked if a donation would qualify for a 10% rebate from State. Joe Nickels indicated it did not, as it was not for a seminarian, but the council is still pursuing sponsoring a seminarian.

Discussion followed about the tax implications; possibly donating to St. Mark and having them distribute to Garrett, as



Buy Christmas Cards from the Knights. Cards will be Sold After Masses Beginning in November Through Early December.

well as the amount being raised to \$1,000. The final motion was made for \$750, with the method of donation to be determined. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. The \$750 will cover the terms through this council year, which ends in June 2003.

With Mike Melo and John Eiler transferring from the council, the Bread Run team is in need of help. Don Stanley and Tony DeNunzio are the remaining members. The Bread Run is Friday night or Saturday morning from Panera Bread on Santa Fe, just North of Mineral, to the Broadway Assistance Center, Alterra Nursing Home, the Sacred Heart Retreat House, or another worthy recipient. If you are willing to help or know of someone in need of bread, please contact Don or Tony.

Sal Villano will be participating in a 13-mile run to benefit Cystic Fibrosis on December 1, 2002. Please consider sponsoring him.

New Business

Brian Lefever welcomed Andy Yockey to his first meeting. Brian has a program available through his company to help support the Knights. If you have extra income and are willing to invest for a 90-day turn, call Brian at 303-809-0347 for more details.



Consider Sponsoring Sal Villano for his 13-Mile Run Benefiting Cystic Fibrosis.

Insurance Agent's Report—(Mike Balchus)

No report.

District Deputy's Report

When will the Star Council be awarded, as the State Deputy needs to award? This will be done at the Christmas Party. Where will the Christmas Party be held? The Retreat House is getting crowded. Will the Christi Center be available? The Christi Center is being strongly considered. A kitchen should not be required, as it is a potluck.

It may be time to split the council based on the parishes. This is usually very good for the new and existing council. It has never been a disaster. Would like this to happen after the first of the year. Receiving pressure from State to form a new council. However, it will be the council's decision and not State's. Joe Nickels requested input from the respective Round Tables, as well as member input. Dan Timmerman (the St. Mark Round Table chairman) volunteered to coordinate input from St.

Fourth Degree Report

No report.

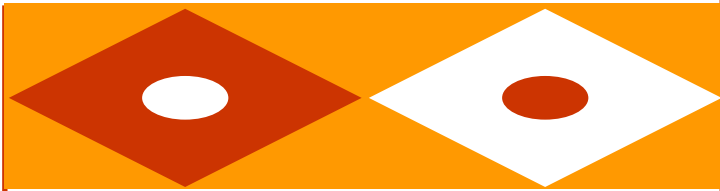
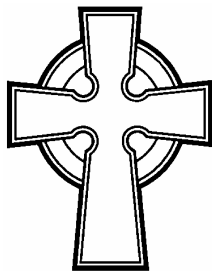
Under the Good of the Order

September

- Knight of the Month – Al Schopp
- Family of the Month – Michael and Melissa Burkett

Please pray for:

Brother Knight, Bill Spence. Bill came close to death last week. He is recovering in intensive care and thanks the Knights for the traveling crucifix.



October Knight and Family of the Month

Congratulations to the Knight of the Month—Jack Doyle and Family of the Month—Laura and Steve Schaffer



2002 Survey of Fraternal Activity Individual Member Worksheet (Please Respond by 12/1/02)

To help prepare our fraternal survey for the Supreme Council office, please complete the information requested below. This information will assist the council in determining the total number of hours of community service. Please mail or deliver to Joe Nickels by 12/1/02. Thank you!!

- Number of visits you made during 2002 to:
Sick – caring for the sick/nursing homes/hospitals
Bereaved – visits of condolence

- Number of times you served as blood donor during 2002

- Estimated hours of community volunteer service during 2002
Church Activities
Community Activities
Youth Activities
Miscellaneous Activities (not outlined above)

- Number of hours of fraternal service during 2002:
Sick/disabled members and their families – household chores, Transportation, tutoring, counseling, etc.

- Number of cash donations or any other donations

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES TO CELEBRATE

Knights Birthdays



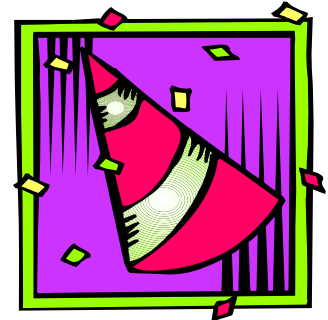
- Jim Tarazoff—11/1
- Tom Wille—11/1
- Art Hut—11/3
- Jim Rotherham—11/5
- Chris North—11/6
- John Eiler—11/7
- Doug Johnson—11/10
- Steve Schuh—11/10
- Brian Crepeau—11/15
- Stebe Scheer—11/18
- Andy Michaud—11/21
- Mark Sharp = 11/21
- Terance Stevens—11/23
- Ron Gray—11/26
- Sal Villano—11/26

Wive's Birthdays

- Susan Gooderham—11/4
- Darlene Kroll—11/4
- Carla Odle—11/5
- Kathy Wall—11/11
- Carol Miller—11/14
- Debi Johnson—11/16
- Inga McAllen—11/17
- Jeanne Schley—11/17
- Patti Saitz = 11/20
- Debra Jaycox—11/22
- Lisa Costa—11/23
- Jennifer Cain—11/29
- Linda Flower—11/30
- MaryAnn Peterson—11/30



Anniversaries



- Virgil and Carolyn Harrison—11/2
- Harvey and Joedalyn Bialk—11/2
- Dan and Carol Miller—11/4
- Kevin and Norma Kvarda—11/4
- Alex and Gabby Rodriguez—11/6
- Chris and Kala Hoss—11/23
- Mike and Kim Lex—11/25
- Arnold and Mary Ann Peterson—11/26
- John and Ginny Wells—11/26
- Garrett & Katheryn Christnacht—11/28

To All First Degree Knights

Please plan on attending major degree ceremonies on 1/25/03 in the Christi Center. More details to follow.

The Knights of Columbus Christmas Party will be from 2-5 pm on 12/22 at the Christi Center. The event will be a pot-luck dinner and will also include a visit from Santa. More details to follow.