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Knightly News



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Member Handbook

A document has been created and approved for all new and existing Knights and it is called the "New Member Handbook." This handbook provides a brief overview of the Knights of Columbus and the activities surrounding our Council and will be given to all new First Degrees at their ceremony. If you would like to receive an electronic copy, please contact Richard Storicks at: storicks@castlepines.net

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE—CHRIS MOSLEY

Remember Why We Are Knights - Columbianism - that is, the principles espoused by the Knights of Columbus - are designed to assist each Knight in living his Catholic faith every day. Ultimately, those principles help us to focus on the key principles of our faith - to love God, to love one another, and to serve mankind.

The Knights of Columbus provides all of us with an excellent vehicle through which to live these principles. Our council (indeed, all councils) are divided into five directorships - Church, Community, Council, Family, and Youth. Within each directorship, we as Knights are afforded opportunities to increase our faith, enjoy one another's company, and serve members of our church, community and youth.

We are blessed to have five outstanding directors this year. Tom Wille returns as Church Director. Matt Sheffield returns as Community Director. Dan Cahill is our new Council Director. Roger Giudici is our new family director. George Klayer is our new Youth Director. Each of these Knights has put together a preliminary fraternal year plan identifying various activities our council will sponsor and be involved with.

I encourage all of you to participate in as many of these events as you can. We understand the demands everyone has on their time - family, career, friends, etc. Participating in Knight sponsored events, however, can be a very rewarding and enjoyable experience. In addition, I encourage all of you to think of any other activities or projects in which you believe our council should be involved. Although our Directors have identified several activities in the fraternal year plan, the list is by no means exhaustive. If you have a suggestion, please let me know or contact Deputy Grand Knight, Ron Rietsch, Chancellor, Chris Kennedy, or one of the Directors.

Finally, Columbianism is not limited to the activities we engage in as Knights. Rather, the principles of Columbianism apply to everything we do everyday. To that end, I encourage each of you to do something each month to further these values. Remember, the Knights of Columbus is a Catholic, Family, Fraternal, Service organization.

Thus, each month, do something to further your Catholic faith beyond attending weekly Mass. For example, attend a weekday Mass, pray the rosary or attend a faith enrichment class. (Catholic)

Each month, do something extra with your family. If your family resides out of the metro area, give someone a call and let them you know you are thinking of them. (Family). Each month, make an effort to say hello to one of your fellow Knights. Better yet, attend our monthly Happy Hour which provides an excellent opportunity for Knights and their families to spend some time together on a Friday evening. (Fraternal)

And last, but certainly not least, each month perform a service activity. The activity need not be a major event such as the Tootsie Roll drive or volunteering at a local charity (although those are excellent services to perform). Something simple which ultimately helps someone is all that it takes. For example, you can help someone at the store carry their groceries to their car. You can give directions to someone who is lost (directions to Pax Christi is always good). Anything which helps someone else is service to our fellow man. (Service)

Being a Knight is a privilege and responsibility. It is also a joy which arises from the fulfillment of our privilege and responsibility. So go be a Knight every day!

Vivat Jesus!

Chris Mosley Grand Knight

Thanks and Congratulations

Transportation for Father Joseph

Thanks to *Charles Schley* for picking up Father Joseph from the airport on August 11. And thanks to the tremendous response we had from our council offering to assist. Father Ken truly appreciated your efforts.

Officer Installation

Thanks to all who participated in the Installation of Officers on July 23. The event was a major success, and dinner was attended by about 30 Knights and family members (including five lucky individuals who won a bottle of wine). Special thanks go out to *Jim Egan* and *Bruce Felcyn* for stepping in as substitutes for those officers who could not attend.

District Meeting and Pancake Breakfast

Thanks also to those who participated in the District meeting, held on July 16. We hosted the five councils in our district as well as three state officers, and provided a pancake breakfast before the meeting which was truly appreciated by all who participated. Special thanks to *Roger Giudici* and *Chris Kennedy* for assisting with the pancake breakfast even though they were not required to attend the District meeting. Extra special thanks to former council members (and current St. Mark council members) *Al Schopp* and *Dan Timmerman* who showed up to assist with the pancake breakfast and to generally fraternalize with us.

Major Degrees

Congratulations to Roger Giudici and Dan Cahill for completing their major degrees!!! Thanks also to Chris Kennedy for sponsoring Roger and Dan. We encourage all First Degree Knights to obtain their major degree. Having the major degree completes your ascension into full Knighthood and permits you to serve as a council office. More importantly, the major degree ceremonies are very moving events as any Knight who has completed them will tell you. Contact Richard Storicks for information regarding upcoming major degrees.

Family of the Month—The Egan's

Jim and Kathy Egan (along with their boys) were honored at our last business meeting as family of the month. Jim is deeply involved with the Boy Scout troop affiliated with Pax Christi, and Kathy is a Eucharistic minister among other activities. The boys, of course, provide lots of smiles around church. We truly appreciate all they have done for our council and Pax Christi.

Knight of the Month—Richard Storicks

Richard Storicks was honored as Knight of the Month. Richard has been a Knight for less than a year, but has jumped into our council in full force. A regular at the pancake breakfasts and beer and brats, Richard agreed to be our membership director for this fraternal year. Richard has revamped many of our membership materials and has put together a very impressive (30 page) new membership packet that will be distributed to all new Knights who join our council. The new membership package will be posted on the council website and, hence, be available to all members of our council. It is an excellent reference guide for all of us.

Reverend Houlihan/St. Mark Softball Challenge—September 10th



Our Brothers at St. Mark have challenged us to a softball game!!! The game is scheduled for Saturday, September 10 at the Northridge Recreation Center. We are looking for at least 10 Knights to participate. We will have a beer and brats barbeque following the game. The event is a family event - all are welcome as the Northridge Rec Center has lots of playground equipment for kids

of all ages. Anyone interested in participating, contact Council Director Dan Cahill at danlax27@yahoo.com. Or just show up! More details to follow.

Knights of Columbus Council 10937 Minutes of the August 13, 2005 Council Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Worthy Grand Knight Chris Mosley at 8 am. The roll of officers was called by Mark Sweeney and noted as follows:

Present

Chaplain
Grand Knight
Deputy Grand Knight
Chancellor
Recorder
Financial Secretary
Treasurer
Lecturer
2nd Year Trustee

Absent

Inside Guard 3rd Year Trustee 1st Year Trustee

Excused

Advocate Warden Outside Guard

The Minutes of the Preceding Meeting

The minutes of the July meeting were approved as drafted.

Admissions Committee

No new applications were read.

Grand Knight's Report

Special thanks to Charles Schley for picking up Father Lionel at the airport.

District Meeting was held July 16 at Pax Christi. Special thanks to Roger Giudici and Chris Kennedy for their assistance.

<u>Family of the Month</u> Award goes to Jim and Kathy Egan. Thank you for your hard work and commitment to making the parish a better place for all.

<u>Knight of the Month</u> – Richard Storicks – for his excellent work on the Membership Committee and his efforts on the development of the Knights of Columbus new membership packet.

Notice to Council – don't limit your efforts to the support of the on-going calendar of activities. Please feel free to bring your own ideas, create new recommendations for fundraisers or council activities. Extend yourselves throughout the community to spread the cause of the Knights of Columbus and the Pax Christi Parish.

The next Planning Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 7 at 7:00 PM at Chris Mosley's home.

Chaplain's Report

Father Ken <u>needs your assistance with planting of bushes</u> on the Pax Christi grounds. In addition, for anyone who may have access to a front loader or a bobcat, your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Anyone interested in helping Father with the planting, please contact him directly.

<u>Father Edward Foley will be presenting "The Eucharist – Exploring the Mystery"</u> on Thursday and Friday, November 10-11 at Pax Christi. This event will be sponsored by the Northern Region of the Diocese of Colorado Springs. All are welcome to attend.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience will be hosted at Pax Christi Church on September 11 (1:00-6:35 pm), September 13 (7:00-9:45 pm), September 16 (7:00-9:45 pm) and September 18 (12:30-7:30 pm). Cost for the 4 sessions is \$55.00 and space is limited so register now by sending fees and the completed flyer to:

 Tom & Katie Watson 103 Bramblewood Dr. Castle Rock, CO 80108 Phone: 303-791-1615

"The Treasures of Poland" – <u>Father Ken is organizing a trip to Poland</u> for interested Parishioners. The trip will be Monday, May 1, 2006 through Wednesday, May 10, 2006. For more information, please contact the parish office at (303)799-1036.

Treasurer's Report

Fraternal year is complete and the audit of the prior year is underway. Copies of the budget are available. Current balances:

- Certificates of Deposit (3) \$4,206.67
- General Account \$11,447.56
- Haley Fund \$2,818.47

Financial Secretary Report

Total receipts reported: \$17.00

Trustees Report

Audit is in process and will be completed by August 13th.

Committee Reports

Membership Committee (Richard Storicks)

Council #10937 has 98 official members. There are 12 new candidates pending. The next 1st Degree will be held September 10 at Pax Christi.

New membership packets in final draft form are complete. Council will conduct the final review for official release. Packets will also be available via the web-site for current members.

Service Program Committee (Matt Sheffield)

<u>Tootsie Roll Drive</u> will be held October 7-8th. This year our council will be coordinating this function with the St. Mark's parish council. We are in need of a weekend coordinator to ensure sufficient supplies are available at all of the locations, donations are collected, etc. Please contact Matt Sheffield if you are interested.

Annual Peach Sale Committee (Ron Gerber)

Peaches will arrive August 20th and the council will be selling peaches after all of the weekend masses, as well as, the Beer and Brats event on Saturday night. Cost of the peaches is \$25.00 for an 18-20# box. Your help is needed to sell the peaches and to assist customers. If interested, contact Gary Mayfield.



Family Committee (Roger Giudici)

This committee is working on the planning stages of many events.

<u>Parents/kids soccer game</u> tentatively scheduled for the September/October timeframe. Please contact Roger if you would like to be an active member of this committee or if you are interested in participating. Other events include:

- Wives Appreciation Dinner
- Christmas Party
- Camping
- Volleyball Tournament
- Broncos Game

Youth Group (George Klayer)

Objective is to grow awareness in our youths of the Knights of Columbus by reaching out to the various youth groups. Youth Director position is currently open at Pax Christi. George plans on developing an information packet that targets youths and conveys the purpose of the Knights.

Happy Hour (Chris Kennedy)

Second Knights of Columbus Happy Hour was held at the Brewery Bar III in Lone Tree on Friday, August 12 at 5:00 pm followed by a family dinner at 6:30. The event was well attended and a good time was had by all. Stay tuned for the next "Happy Hour" and be sure to attend to get to know your fellow Knights and their wonderful spouses and families.

K of C Charities Football Sweepstakes

Plenty of tickets are still available at the Beer and Brats or contact Richard Storicks for sweepstakes tickets.

Golf Tournament (Ron Gerber)

The annual golf tournament is scheduled for Friday, August 26th. Tournament entry fees are \$100. In addition, the tournament planners are in need of hole sponsors. If you are interested in sponsoring a hole, please contact Ron Gerber at 303-791-0369.



District Deputy Report

Football Sweepstakes ticket proceeds and stubs should be sent to State. Tootsie Roll Drive – need to contact Grant MacFarland of Ave Maria with order details.

Guest Speaker

Matt Maranto gave a presentation on "Sharing the Love of Christ through Scouting" and notified the council of the upcoming 2005 Annual Religious Emblems Retreat to be held October 22, 2005 from 9:30 am—3:00 pm at Pax Christi parish. Matt requested assistance from the Knights of Columbus to help serve lunches during this event.

Under the Good of the Order

- May we all continue to remember Brother Tom Odle, his mother-in-law and his family, in our prayers. Tom's mother-in-law is ill.
- Please remember in your prayers, Matt Sheffield's sister Wendy, for a healthy pregnancy.

THE SILENT TREATMENT—LET'S LAUGH!

A man and his wife were having some problems at home and were giving each other the silent treatment. Suddenly, the man realized that the next day, he would need his wife to wake him at 5:00 am for an early morning business flight. Not wanting to be the first to break the silence (and LOSE), he wrote on a piece of paper, "Please wake me at 5:00 am." He left it where he knew she would find it. The next morning, the man woke up, only to discover it was 9:00 am and he had missed his flight. Furious, he was about to go and see why his wife hadn't wakened him, when he noticed a piece of paper by the bed. The paper said, "It is 5:00 am, wake up." Men are not equipped for these kinds of contests. God may have created man before woman, but there is always a rough draft before the masterpiece.

Membership Director (Richard Storicks)

First Degree Ceremony

We currently have nine men that would like to join the Knights of Columbus and our Council. We are planning to host a First Degree ceremony at our Council on September 10 at 7:30 am. Please plan to join the ceremony and welcome the new Brother Knights. Our monthly business meeting will follow the ceremony.

Major Degrees Ceremony

For those Knights that are wanting to achieve their 2nd or 3rd degrees, the following are upcoming ceremonial dates. More information will be forthcoming on the address and times. Please mark your calendars.

> 9/24/05 - Denver 10/15/05 - Castle Rock 10/22/05 - Pueblo 10/29/05 - Arvada 11/13/05 - Greeley 11/19/05 - Denver

Christian One-Liners

Don't let your worries get the best of you. Remember, Moses started out as a basket case.

Some people are kind, polite, and sweet-spirited until you try to sit in their pews.

Many folks want to serve God, but only as advisers.

It is easier to preach ten sermons than to live one.

The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose, but mosquitoes and sand gnats come close.

When you get to your wit's end, you'll find God lives there.

People are funny, they want the front of the bus, the middle of the road, and the back of the church.

Opportunity may knock once, but temptation bands on your front door forever.

Quit griping about your church; if it was perfect, you could not belong.

If the church wants a better pastor, it only needs to pray for the one it has.

God Himself does not propose to judge a man until he is dead. So why should you?

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

Peace starts with a smile.

I don't know why some people change churches; what difference does it make which one you stay home from?

A lot of church members who are singing "Standing on the Promises" are just sitting on the premises.

We were called to be witnesses, not lawyers or judges.

Be ye fishers of men. You catch them, he'll clean them.

Coincidence is when God chooses to remain anonymous.

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Calendar Of Upcoming Events

August 20 - Beer & Brats
August 20-21 - Peach Sale
August 28 - Pancake Breakfast
September 5 - Labor Day
September 7 - Planning meeting, Chris Mosley's
September 9 - Monthly Happy Hour (location to be announced by Chris Kennedy)
September 10 - First Degree Ceremony followed by monthly business meeting
September 10 - St. Mark Softball Challenge
September 11, 13, 16, 18 - Worldwide Marriage
Encounter Experience at Pax Christi
September 18 - Pancake Breakfast
September 25 - Chillin' & Grillin' (K of C Beer Garden)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10937 2005-2006 FRATERNAL YEAR SERVICE PROGRAM PLAN

Goals:

- Provide a variety of service opportunities for all Knights and their families
- Conduct at least 1 service activity in each directorship per quarter

Community - Matt Sheffield

- Mentally Handicap Drive (Matt Sheffield)
- Sacred Heart Retreat House Golf Tournament (Matt Sheffield)
- Haley Fund (Keith Sears)
- Queen Of Peace Cemetery (Keith Sears)
- Right To Life (Jason Mumm)
- Thanksgiving Dinner Help

Council - Dan Cahill

- Peaches (Ron Gerber)
- Fall Festival (Steve Schaffer)
- Pancake Breakfast (Manny Ramos)
- Beer & Brats (Manny Ramos)
- Happy Hour (Chris Kennedy)
- Fish Fry Soup Knight (Gary Mayfield)
- Parish Picnic (Matt Sheffield)
- Golf Team (Charles Schley)
- St. Mark Softball Challenge (Dan Cahill)

Church - Tom Wille

- Keep Christ in Christmas
- Seminarian Support
- Marion Hour Of Prayer
- Lenten Rosary

Family - Roger Giudici

- Christmas Party
- Christmas Tree Cutting
- Knight With The Nuggets (Mosley)
- Wife Appreciation Dinner
- Parent/Kids Soccer Game

Youth - George Klaver

- Free Throw Contest
- Scholarship Program (Mike Roy)
- Alter Server Assistance

CALENDAR

July January Beer & Brats (Council) Marion Hour Of Prayer Officer Installation (Church) Free Throw Contest (Youth) Parish Picnic (Council) <u>February</u> <u>August</u> Sacred Heart Retreat House Fish Fry - Soup Knight Golf Tournament (Council) (Community) Lenten Rosary (Church) Peaches (Council) Beer & Brats (Council) March Knight With The Nuggets September (Family) Scholarship Program (Youth) Fall Festival (Council) St. Mark Softball Challenge (Council) **END QUARTER 1 END QUARTER 3** October <u>April</u> Mentally Handicap Drive Wife Appreciation Dinner (Community) (Family) Alter Server Assistance May (Youth) ??? November June Thanksgiving Dinner Help (Community) ??? <u>December</u> END QUARTER 4 Keep Christ in Christmas (Church) Christmas Party (Family) **Christmas Tree Cutting**

END QUARTER 2

(Family)

Notes Re Fraternal Year:

- Need Family Director
- Short on programs for Church, Family & Youth
 - O Quarter 1 No programs for Church, Family, Youth
 - O Quarter 2 No programs for Council
 - Quarter 3 No programs for Community
 - O Quarter 4 No programs for Church, Community, Council, Youth

Membership/Retention Goals

- Establish regular First Degree ceremonies (either alone or in conjunction with other councils in our district)
- Get 5 first degree Knights to obtain their major degrees
- Develop member interest survey for use with all new Knights and to be included each year with dues statement

Communication Goals

- Contact all Knights at least twice during the year
- Update e-mail directory develop procedure to include all new Knights on e-mail list
- Develop phone tree

Committees

- <u>Fundraising Committee</u>: Committee designed to investigate and evaluate fund raising activities. NOTE: The committee will not be charged with implementing fund raising activities.
- <u>Charitable Donation Committee</u>: Committee designed to investigate and evaluate specific charities for our council to support. Key characteristics of potential charities include Christian affiliation and opportunity for individual Knights and their families to participate actively in charitable activities.