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FOR THE FAMILY OF

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING: 1ST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, 7:30 PM

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***** COMING EVENTS *****

- Jan 3 Business meeting at 7:30 pm
- Jan 8 Pancake Breakfast 7:30 am to 11:30 am at St. Pius – Note change in date**
- Jan 10 1st Degree at 8:00 (Candidates meet at 7:30 pm)
- Jan 15 Free Throw Contest
- Jan 16 MCC meeting at 7:30 pm
- Jan 17 Staff meeting at 7:30 pm
- Jan 20 Fish Fry
- Jan 22 Winter Party and Soup Supper, 1:00 pm to ?? Soup supper around 4:00 pm
- Jan 23 Life is Sacred Day
- Feb 5 Corporate Communion at St. Pius at 10:00
- Feb 5 Boy Scout pancake breakfast at St. Pius (no KC breakfast this month)
- Feb 7 Business Meeting and 1st Degree at 7:00 pm (Candidates meet at 6:30 pm)
- Feb 17 Fish Fry
- Feb 20 MCC meeting at 7:30 pm
- Feb 21 Staff meeting at 7:30 pm
- Mar 1 Ash Wednesday
- Mar 3 Fish Fry
- Mar 4 Dance for Life
- Mar 5 Pancake Breakfast 7:30 am to 11:30 am at St. Pius
- Mar 7 Business Meeting at 7:30 pm
- Mar 10 Fish Fry
- Mar 17 Fish Fry
- Mar 20 MCC Meeting at 7:30 pm
- Mar 21 Staff Meeting at 7:30 pm
- Mar 24 Fish Fry
- Mar 31 Fish Fry

JANUARY 3RD BUSINESS MEETING
 7:15 PM Rosary
 7:30 PM Business meeting

1ST DEGREE ON JANUARY 10TH
 7:30 PM Candidates meet
 8:00 PM 1st Degree Initiation
 Please let the Grand Knight know if you plan to bring a candidate, otherwise the 1st degree may be canceled if there are now candidates.

ABBE CENTER DRIVERS [be at the Abbe Center by 8:30 AM]

Only one driver is scheduled. Find a replacement if you can't make it. *Chris Shimon (Phone 389-1528)*

Jan 1 Bob Brown	Feb 5 John Pacha
Jan 8 John Pacha	Feb 12 Frank Reynolds
Jan 15 Rick Beadle	Feb 19 Dick Conrad
Jan 22 Frank Reynolds	Feb 26 Dennis Sullivan
Jan 29 Bob Rosburg	

----- 7:00 TO 10:00 -----		----- JANUARY 8TH BREAKFAST -----		----- 10:00 TO 1:00 -----	
Mike Jump (cook)	Roger Bonlander	Bill Casey (cook)	Rick Hingtgen		
Howard Schiffer	Ron Bentley	Jim Parent	Bill Hoefler		
Dick Enneking	Bill Holtz	Jason Reis	Bill Hebl		
John Stepanek	Mark Kuehnle	Mike Alt	Jerry Moore		
Jim McGlaughlin	Tony May	Tom Satern	Steve Phillips		
Harley Haber	Ted Steger	Martin Litfin	Don Chizek		

Please note the date change of the January pancake breakfast. It is January 8th.

There will NOT be a K of C breakfast in February. Please support the Boy Scouts who will be holding their annual fund raising breakfast in the St. Pius X church hall on February 5th.

----- 7:00 TO 10:00 -----		----- MARCH 5TH BREAKFAST -----		----- 10:00 TO 1:00 -----	
Jim Ickes (cook)	Lynn Strabala	John Ritchie (cook)	Glen Hurt		
Bill Schaffer	Steve Schrader	Mike Hunstad	Brian Pecinovsky		
Dave Van Gorp	Ray Thys	Bob Bentz	Bob Blocklinger		
Rick Davis	Tom Hoffman	Mel Holubar	Craig Pilcher		
Earl Ernst	Norb Banowetz	Jerry Fetzer	Rick Beadle		
Mike Blin	Elmer Rolfes	Scott Zwanziger	Tim DeWit		

VOCATIONS

Our council is supporting two seminarians. You can write to them at the addresses below:

Gary Mayer	Steve Garner
Saint Meinrad Seminary	St Paul Seminary
200 Hill Dr	2260 Summit Ave
Saint Meinrad IN 47577-1301	Saint Paul MN 55105-1010

HALL RESERVATIONS

Our hall now will cost \$500 for a Saturday function. But for members in good standing it still is only \$300. And if you are on a work crew you know we take care of the wedding party. *John Mercil 377-1664, KC Hall Rental*

EQUIPMENT FOR LOAN

We have the following equipment to loan out – **FREE**:

- Wheelchair — with foot rests
- Wheelchair — without foot rests
- Four portable walkers
- Three sets of crutches

To borrow any of these items from our Council contact our Warden, John Pacha (phone 373-1762).

**COUNCIL FREE THROW CONTEST
FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 10 – 14**

Come and join the fun; it's free. The contest will be held Sunday, January 15, 2006, in St. Joseph's school gym from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. Registration starts at 1:30 pm and the contest starts at 2:00 pm.

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Fellow Knights: As we look back on the past year, we see many things that we as a Council can be proud of. We have many new members who have joined and become very active in our functions. Some new members may not be as active, but will be so when we get them involved and make them feel welcome. We must strive to make them part of us.

During the past year we have much to be thankful for. We paid off our mortgage on the building and continue to update the building. We have new tables and chairs. We are doing a major remodel on the kitchen, installing new equipment and making it more accessible for our fish fries and dinners. Monthly fish fries and pancake breakfasts continue to have increased attendance.

We have had many programs for our members: Dance for Life, Wives' Appreciation Dinner, Mortgage Burning Dinner, Memorial Mass for Departed Members, and Children's Christmas Party. We worked football games at the University of Iowa, provided Abbe Center with drivers to take residents to Mass, cleaned a two-mile stretch of Highway 13 and provided workers for the Turkey Trot breakfast. The Turkey Trot race and breakfast raised \$10,000 for Horizons to help youth and families to fight poverty, crime and welfare. We donated money to help the Knights of Columbus to give over \$7 million to help with Hurricane Relief. We helped fund new papal and USA flags for the Mt. Mercy Chapel. We provided funds to help Xavier High School students to spend a week cleaning up after the hurricanes. We helped families in crisis. We make our facilities available to Boy Scouts. And much more. Thanks to you and your families who help to make this happen.

Don't forget our Winter Party and Soup Supper on January 22nd. See the article for details. Bring a prospective Knight and his family to join us in the fun.

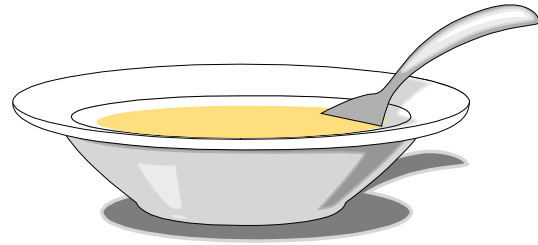
This coming month, on January 15th, we will have our Free Throw contest from 1:30 to 3:30 pm in St. Joseph's school gym. We will need a few workers to help with this event. Give me a call if you can help.

We will have a 1st Degree on January 10th. Candidates should be there at 7:30 pm and the Degree will start at 8:00 pm. You must call me at 393-1862 if you have a candidate.

In December, Mike Antonelli brought in two new members: Merle Ries and Jeff Ries. Ray Dufek brought in Gregg Wieck. We thank Mike and Ray for asking a potential candidate.

May God bless you during the Christmas season. May He bring peace, health and happiness to you and your families in the New Year of 2006.

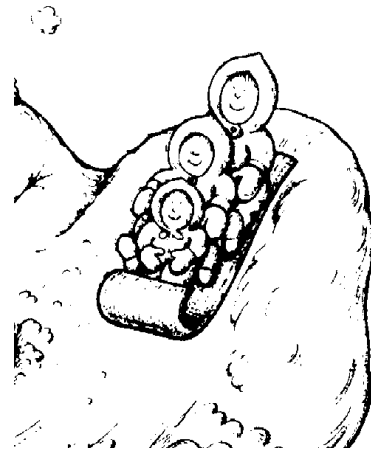
Charles Luster, Grand Knight



WINTER PARTY AND SOUP SUPPER

On January 22nd we will have our Winter Party and Soup Supper starting at 1:00 pm. Those who want to go sledding can go to Squaw Creek Park to sled. Others can meet at the Council Hall for games. We will have various homemade soups for supper. I may even bring my chicken and dumpling soup. Please bring snacks or a dessert to share. Just come along for the fun. You are always welcome to bring along friends who don't belong to the Knights. What a way to introduce them to the Knights of Columbus. How can they help but join our council! We will eat supper around 4:00 pm.

Charles Luster, Grand Knight



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Our first breakfast of the New Year is on January 8th. Come join us at St. Pius Parish Hall for a great Breakfast of fluffy pancakes, sumptuous sausages, excellent eggs, coffee and juice. We serve from 7:30 to 11:30 AM. We are looking forward to seeing you.

Remember that the Boy Scouts are having their annual Fundraiser Breakfast on February 5. Please give them your support. We will see you again on March 5.

*George Schulte
Pancake Breakfast Coordinator*

SANCTITY OF LIFE

January 22, 2006, is the anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade decision by the Supreme Court. We will not have our Symbolic Funeral Procession and Prayer Service at St. Ludmila this year. All Knights and their families are invited to a Sanctity of Life Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton at 7 pm on Monday, January 23, 2006.

The annual March for Life in Washington D.C. is scheduled for January 23, 2006. Five buses will leave Iowa on January 21st and return on January 25th. For details, go to www.iowansforlife.org.

*Committed to Building a Loving Culture of Life,
Bill Brennan*

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome these men and their families when you see them.

Merle Ries
Jeff Ries
Gregg Wieck

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

The Knight of the Month for the last few months are listed below. Please congratulate these Knights when you see them.

July	John Pacha
August	Dan Goiffon
September	Ken Cook
October	Leon Hartogh
November	John Schmidt

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to the Knights and their families that have been honored with the Family of the Month award for service to the Council, Church and Community.

July	Tim & Wendy Funk
August	Mike & Cathleen Beke
September	Gary & Jeanne Schmidt
October	Tom & Margarete Meade
November	Steve & Angela Sawyers

2006 COUNCIL DUES ARE DUE

If you have not already done so, it is time to pay your 2006 Council dues. The \$24.00 total includes \$1.00 for Catholic Advertising (such as in the Sunday Gazette's Parade magazine), \$3.50 per capita for Supreme dues, State assessments of \$1.50 for a Catholic Education Fund, and \$5.50 for per capita dues.

Dues can be paid quarterly but most find it more convenient to pay for the whole year at once. If you want to contribute to our "Pennies for Heaven" fund for vocations, you can add an additional amount to your dues check and make a note that the extra money is for this cause.

*Roger Konzen, Financial Secretary,
2330 McGowan Blvd., Marion, IA 52302*

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

The New Year brings many challenges to us as Knights. From keeping "under God" in the pledge to promoting life, from working with our parish priests to working on pancake breakfasts, from memorial Masses to helping those less fortunate than ourselves, we present a very visible force in our parishes and communities. More hands always make these projects go more smoothly. Asking someone to join will only make our job as Knights easier.

January 23rd (since the 22nd is a Sunday) is to be observed as a particular day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person. I encourage each of you to make time in your schedule for Mass, prayer, or other form of penance.

Roy Tangeman, District Deputy

MAROON CHAIRS FOR SALE

We have 30 maroon fabric-covered chairs, which were used in the council room, available for sale. These chairs will be sold for \$5 each on a first contact basis. Anyone wishing to purchase any of these chairs, call Dave Van Gorp at 319-377-6423

TRAVEL ADVENTURE SERIES

Ballantyne Auditorium – Iowa Hall
Kirkwood Community College
2:00 pm

Sponsored by Discovery Living, Inc.

Tickets are available from the Spring House Restaurant, 3980 Center Point Road NE Cedar Rapids. Costs are: Single person season ticket, \$30; Family season ticket \$55; and individual show are \$6 each. For more information call 378-7470. This is a fund raising event for Discovery Living, Inc.

Jan. 15 **Bringing Home Sardinia, Italy's Mediterranean Isle**, by Steve McCurdy.

Feb. 19 **Australia – Top to Bottom and Side to Side**, by Bob DeLoss.

March 19 **Exploring Costa Rica**, by Sandy Mortimer.

April 23 **Along the Continental Divide – High Mountain Adventure**, by Gale Worth.

HELP WANTED

We need your help! Some of the people who represent the Knights at the weddings want to move on to other things. We are asking anyone to help us by taking the time to volunteer to be on one of the teams or even better *Captain* it. We have immediate openings. Please contact Robert Lange (393-7256) for details.