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**JANUARY 2008 KNIGHT LIGHT**  
 COUNCIL 5390, 5650 KACENA AVE, MARION, IOWA 52302  
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**Please note:** If you have a conflict or cannot show up, it is your responsibility to find a substitute. If you have a problem, call your team leader; numbers are listed in the Pancake Breakfast report. We've had problems with no-shows during recent breakfasts.

----- 7:00 TO 10:00 ----- <b>JANUARY 6TH BREAKFAST</b> -----		----- 10:00 TO 1:00 -----	
BJ Curtis (lead)	Jerry Fetzer (lead)	Dave Albee (lead)	Steve Powers (lead)
Marc Lawrence (cook)	Dan Arndorfer	Bill Casey (cook)	Bill Kohl
Dennis Sullivan	Don Leonhart	Dave Christensen	David House
Fritz Geers	Greg Webster-Moore	Kevin Ballard	Kurt Kremer
John Huber	John Wendling	Martin Litfin	Mel Holubar
Kevin Evers	Mark Lukes	Mike Fisher	Robert Bills
Paul Huber	Rick Davis	Robert Lange	Roger Soukup
Ted Steger		Ron Digmann	Scott Zwanziger
		Steve Hess	

**FEBRUARY 3, 2008 PANCAKE BREAKFAST  
 SPONSORED BY THE BOY SCOUTS**

There will not be a Knights of Columbus breakfast in February. Please support the Boy Scouts this month by taking part in their breakfast.

----- 7:00 TO 10:00 ----- <b>MARCH 2ND BREAKFAST</b> -----		----- 10:00 TO 1:00 -----	
Mike Beke (lead)	Steve Schrader (lead)	Dave Albee (lead)	BJ Curtis (lead)
Mike Jump (cook)	Alan Hellman	Greg Van Gorp (cook)	Clair Thayer
Bill Schaffer	Bryan Stonerook	Dave Castelluccio	Don Hatfield
Darrell Stonerook	Don Klostermann	Jerry Miller	Jim Chaisson
Gary Schmidt	Gregg Wieck	Jim McDonald	Jim McGlaughlin
John Schmidt	Johnie Stepanek	Larry Block	Matt Gent
Ray Thys	Sean Dunkle	Steve Novey	Tim DeWit
Tony Narmi		Tim Gassmann	

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

Grand Knight:	John Stapley	377-9791	kc.jps@mchsi.com
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**\*\*\* COMING EVENTS \*\*\***

- Jan 6 Pancake Breakfast
- Jan 8 1st Degree 7:00 pm and Business Meeting 7:30 pm
- Jan 13 Council Free Throw Contest in St. Joe's Gym
- Jan 15 Staff Meeting 7:30 pm
- Jan 18 Fish Fry
- Jan 19 & 20 Ministry Fair at St. Joe's
- Jan 21 MCC Meeting 7:30 pm
- Jan 24 Council Audit 7:30 pm
- Jan 27 Winter Sledding Party and Soup Supper 2:00 pm to ??
- Feb 3 Boy Scouts Breakfast – No Knights breakfast this month.
- Feb 5 Business Meeting 7:30 pm
- Feb 6 Ash Wednesday
- Feb 8 Fish Fry
- Feb 10 District Free Throw Contest in St. Joe's Gym
- Feb 12 1<sup>st</sup> Degree 7:00 pm
- Feb 15 Fish Fry
- Feb 16 Wine & Cheese Party
- Feb 18 MCC Meeting 7:30 pm
- Feb 19 Staff Meeting 7:30 pm
- Feb 22 Fish Fry
- Feb 29 Fish Fry
- Mar 1 Dance for Life
- Mar 2 Pancake Breakfast
- Mar 4 Business Meeting 7:30 pm
- Mar 7 Fish Fry
- Mar 14 Fish Fry
- Mar 17 MCC Meeting 7:30 pm
- Mar 18 Staff Meeting 7:30 pm
- Mar 30 Corporate Communion 7:00 am at St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton

**JANUARY 6TH 1ST DEGREE AND  
 BUSINESS MEETING**

- 6:30 PM Candidates meet**
- 7:00 PM 1st Degree Initiation**
- 7:30 PM Business meeting**

**VOCATIONS**

Our council is supporting two seminarians:

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

**EQUIPMENT FOR LOAN**

We have the following equipment to loan out – **FREE**: two wheelchairs, four portable walkers and three sets of crutches. To borrow any of these items from our Council contact our Warden, Don Garland (phone 373-1582). When you are finished with a borrowed item please call so it can be picked up for reuse.

## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year to all!

We had a great turnout at the Children's Christmas Party at Super Skate on December 9th. I wish to thank Bob Buckley for taking the pictures of all the children, BJ and Sally Curtis for being Santa and Mrs. Claus, and Randy Bries for the face painting that he did for the children.

Our Business meeting is January 8th. At this meeting we need to complete a survey of 2007 charitable hours. This of course is all volunteer work: church, community and youth activities. We also need your blood drive donations. If you cannot attend the meeting you can send your information to me by e-mail [kc.jps@mchsi.com](mailto:kc.jps@mchsi.com) or send in regular mail to my home at 3908 Bruce Rd., Marion, IA 52302 before January 23rd.

January is a busy month for Council activities:

- The Pancake Breakfast is the 6th.
- The Knights of Columbus free-throw contest is Sunday the 13th.
- Our first fish fry for the New Year is the 18th.
- There is a Ministry Fair at St. Joseph after each Mass on 19th & 20th (this is a membership drive, bring your prospect).

Then we finish the month with our Winter Sledding Party and Soup Supper on January 27th. We will gather around 2:00 pm for sledding (at Squaw Creek Park) and other games (in our clubrooms). The soup supper will be around 4:00 pm. Bring a snack to share if you wish. This is always a good time to come spend some time with other members, play games and cards and try different soups.

*John Stapley, Grand Knight*

## KNIGHT AND FAMILY OF THE MONTH

**Knight of the Month is Bob Buckley.** He has been our Co-Chairman for the Persons with Intellectual Disabilities fund drive by contacting the Stores to allow us to distribute Tootsie Rolls for many years. He is a Cantor at Saint Joseph's Church, sings with the Sanctuary Choir (funerals) and the Adult Choir. He has served on the Church social concerns committee for 12 years. He started the Oaxaca Mission with St. Joseph Church 18 years ago. Over the past 15 years through his work, a Ronald McDonald type house near the Hospital was built. After that he and others have delivered 2 Ambulances, 1 fire truck and in November 2007 a multi-passenger van.

**Family of the Month is Jeffery and Michelle Simoneau.** Jeff works pancake breakfast and Fish Fries. He is also a basketball coach at the Marion YMCA, and he coaches pee-pee baseball at the Marion Parks. Jeff also volunteers his talent for the St. Joseph School Tech Committee. Michelle is an 8th grade religious education teacher, she helps with Alpha meals, is a Volunteer at St. Joseph School and a Den Leader for Pack 68.

## COUNCIL 5390 WEB SITE

Our Council has its own Web Site! Take a look at it. It has information about our Council, a listing of the officers and the current and past issues of the Knight Light. The web site address is:

[www.kofc5390.org](http://www.kofc5390.org)

## NEW INSURANCE AGENT

As announced at the December meeting I am the council's new insurance agent. I am looking forward to talking to each one of the members about some of the great fraternal benefits that you may not be aware of. I will be sending a letter to everyone in the next few weeks introducing myself and what I can do to help you. If you have any questions please contact me over the phone and I will be happy to discuss them.

*Vivat Jesus,*

*Dave Albee, Knights of Columbus Insurance Agent  
1380 13th Avenue, Marion, IA 52302  
(319) 377-7876 or (319) 270-9307*

## DISTRICT DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

Each year much ado is made over New Year's Resolutions. How about this – a resolution to ask at least one Catholic man to enjoy the “Experience of a Lifetime”? And what a perfect time. With Pope Benedict XVI coming to the United States in April, there are incentives for both the proposer and the new Knight. Every Knight who proposes a new member between now and April 20 will receive a commemorative medallion with Pope Benedict's image on it. Every new Knight recruited between now and April 20 will receive a commemorative certificate and will have his name listed in a special book that Supreme Knight Anderson will present to Pope Benedict.

Each of us understands why we are Knights of Columbus members. Why not use this opportunity to offer those reasons to another Catholic man.

*Vivat Jesus*

*Roy Tangeman, District Deputy*

## FREE BLUE KOFC DRESS SHIRT

At the October Business Meeting our Council voted to give a free Blue Dress Shirt to each member who recruits a new member and has this new member complete the requirements for a Shining Armor Award. The below items must be completed by the new member and approved by the Grand Knight during the first full year of membership in order to qualify.

1. Work on 3 Council Service Programs.
2. Attend at least 3 Council Business Meetings.
3. Received your Third Degree.
4. Meet with your Council Insurance Representative.
5. Recruit one new member.

*Gerald Fetzer, Membership Committee*

## SEVEN RESOLUTIONS FOR THE NEW YEAR

1. Don't spend more than you earn.
2. Save more by avoiding unnecessary expenditures.
3. Take advantage of all savings options available to you.
4. Adopt a long-term perspective.
5. Trim down your high interest debt as fast as possible.
6. Be prepared for unexpected expenditures.
7. Call your Knights of Columbus agent for an annual review!

*Dave Albee, 377-7876*

## MOTION TO SPEND \$1,000

A motion was made at the December 2, 2007, business meeting to donate \$1,000 to the St. Joseph playground equipment fund. They are trying to raise \$80,000 by next summer, when the equipment will be installed. A second vote will be taken at the January 8, 2008 business meeting.

## MOTION TO SPEND \$2,500

A motion was made at the December 2, 2007, business meeting to make a 5 year pledge of \$12,500 (\$2,500 per year) to make repairs on the main gate and other repair items at Mt. Calvary Catholic Cemetery. The other councils in this area will also be asked to participate. A second vote will be taken at the January 8, 2008 business meeting.

## MEMORIAL MASS WRAPUP

Approximately sixty members and families of Council 5390 attended the annual Memorial Mass at St. Joseph to honor our departed brothers and the legacy they built which provides the foundation for our Council today.

A 4th Degree honor guard of Marc Lawrence and Past Faithful Navigator Steve Powers provided an escort.

Thank you to Grand Knight John Stapley for his assistance, especially for calling the family members to inform them of the Mass.

Thanks to all those who helped in the preparation of the liturgy, especially Council Chaplain, Fr Greg Bahl, for taking time out of his busy schedule to celebrate Mass.

Thanks also to those who served in their ministries, especially Bob Buckley and Richard Stanaway (music).

A reception was held following the liturgy, thanks to Gerald Fetzer who brought the refreshments plus setup.

A new procedure where a candle was lit for each deceased member with a family member present worked well. The names of the remaining deceased members were then read and a large candle lit in their memory. Comments or suggestions on our Memorial Mass event can be directed to John Stapley (377-9791) or Ken Bauer (377-0978).

*Ken Bauer*

## KNIGHT LIGHT VIA EMAIL

Would you like to receive the council bulletin, *The Knight Light*, by email? It saves the council postage and printing costs. Because of printing and mail delivery time, you would receive the bulletin by email about a week before the print issue would arrive.

Another option would be to view the bulletin at our web site. It is posted there about 1 day after the email version is sent out.

Let me know if you would like to receive the email version and stop getting the printed version. Send me your request via email to:

[bulletineditor@kofc5390.org](mailto:bulletineditor@kofc5390.org)

## FREE-THROW CONTEST

Our council will be hosting its annual free-throw contest at St. Joseph School gym in Marion on Sunday January 13th, 2008. We will start the competition around 12.30 pm. This event is open to all boys and girls from ages 10 to 14. Please encourage your kids and grandkids to come and participate. If they win in their age bracket, the children can then move on to the district competition which will also be held at St. Joseph School gym on February 10. I have a handful of folks who have volunteered to help. Please call me if you know someone who would like to participate or would like to help. You may reach me at 373-1762.

*John Pacha*

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST

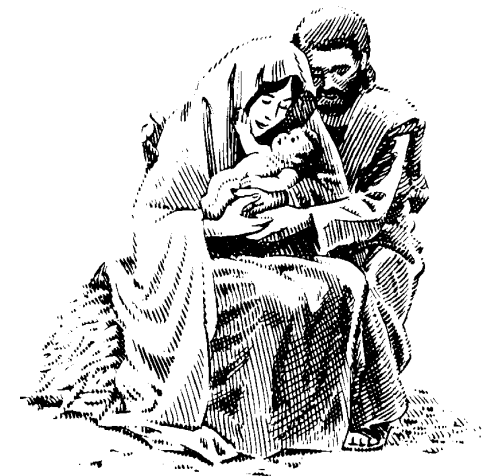
Thanks to all you Knights and your families for your help with the pancake breakfasts through 2007. Our efforts fund a large fraction of the programs sponsored by our Council. I am planning on calling all of you as we move into and through 2008 to discuss any work preferences. You may reach me at 373-1762. Merry Christmas and Happy New 2008.

*John Pacha*

## ABBE CENTER DRIVERS

For 43 years our Council has provided rides to Mass at St. Joseph for the Catholic residents of the Abbe Center (previously called the County Home). Currently there is only one Catholic resident at the Center and at the suggestion of the Center it has been decided to temporarily stop this service. This project will be reevaluated after the first of the year.

*Chris Shimon, Coordinator*



**REMEMBER TO KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS**