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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** ***

Dec 31 6:00 PM New Years Eve Party
 Jan 6 Business Meeting 7:30PM **Note: Date Change**
 Jan 10 Pancake Breakfast at St. Pius X **Note: Date Change**
 Jan 10 First Degree 3:00 PM
 Jan 15 Fish Fry
 Jan 18 MCC meeting 7:30 PM
 Jan 19 Staff Meeting 7:30 PM
 Jan 21 Audit 7:00 PM
 Jan 24 Free Throw Contest
 Jan 24 **Memorial Mass** and Winter Soup Supper 5:00 PM
 Jan 31 Corporate Communion (Details in Jan. Knight Light)
 Feb 2 Business meeting 7:30 PM - First Degree 7:00 PM
 Feb 7 **Scouts Pancake breakfast – No K of C Breakfast this month**
 Feb 13 Wine and Cheese Party 7:00 PM
 Feb 15 MCC meeting 7:30 PM
 Feb 16 Staff meeting 7:30 PM
 Feb 17 Ash Wednesday
 Feb 19 Lenten Fish Fry
 Feb 26 Lenten Fish Fry
 Mar 2 Business meeting – 7:30 PM
 Mar 5 Lenten Fish Fry
 Mar 6 Dance for Life
 Mar 7 Pancake Breakfast at St. Pius X
 Mar 9 First Degree 7:30 PM
 Mar 12 Lenten Fish Fry
 Mar 15 MCC Meeting 7:30 PM
 Mar 16 Staff meeting 7:30 PM
 Mar 19 Lenten Fish Fry
 Mar 26 Lenten Fish Fry

NOTE THE CHANGE IN DATE
Wednesday, January 6, 2010
Business meeting

7:10 pm Rosary
7:30 pm Business Meeting

Deadline for the February issue of the *Knight Light* is, Wednesday, January 21, 2010.

----- 7:00 to 10:00 -----	January 10th Breakfast	----- 10:00 TO 1:00 -----	
Christensen, Jerry (lead)	Satern, Tom (lead)	Albee, Dave (lead)	Beke, Mike (lead)
Ickes, Jim (cook)	Van Gorp, Dave	Jump, Mike (cook)	Bentz, Bob
Dake, Del	Klostermann, Don	Meyer, Chris	Dayton, Chuck
Leonhart, Don	Schmidt, Gary	Thayer, Clair	Schueler, Cliff
Ritchie, John	Bruckner, Juergen	Castelluccio, Dave	Parker, Gene
Strabala, Lynn	Zittergruen, Mark	Hurt, Glen	Berns, James
Blin, Mike	Brumm, Scott	Chaisson, Jim	Digmann, Ron
Lokmer, Sean		Phillips, Steve	

Support the Boy Scout pancake breakfast on February 7th. This is their major fund raising event for the year. The Knights of Columbus breakfast returns again next month.

----- 7:00 to 10:00 -----	March 7th Breakfast	----- 10:00 TO 1:00 -----	
Albee, Dave (lead)	Beke, Mike (lead)	Conrad, Dick (lead)	Schrader, Steve (lead)
Conrad, Scott (cook)	Holtz, Bill	Van Gorp, Greg (cook)	May, Chris
Schmitt, Bob	Baumler, Conrad	Eichenberger, Dale	McGlaughlin, Jim
Perra, Dan	O'Rourke, Dave	Parent, Jim	Kramer, Kurt
Enneking, Dick	Ernst, Earl	Litfin, Martin	Holubar, Mel
Schiffer, Howard	Weaver, Jacob	Antonelli, Mike	Hunstad, Mike
Puffer, Jeff	Collentine, John	Schmidt, Ray	Hess, Steve
Wendling, John		Novey, Steve	

VOCATIONS

Our council is supporting 2 seminarians and you are invited to write to them and give them your encouragement in their vocations.

Mark Murphy St. Pius Seminary 1235 Mt Loretta Ave. Dubuque, IA 52003	Michael Pennington St. Pius Seminary 1235 Mt Loretta Ave Dubuque, IA 52003
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EQUIPMENT FOR LOAN: We have the following equipment to loan out: wheelchair, portable walker and crutches. Some of these items may already be loaned out so contact our Warden, Wayne Waters (373-0458) to check for availability. When you are finished with item please call so it can be picked up for reuse.

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

We flew through another year. Things are getting hectic because of a lot of new developments and changes. The most important new development is that we will be having a Memorial Mass in conjunction with our annual Soup Supper on Sunday, Jan. 24. Father Kleinfehn will celebrate the Memorial Mass at our hall at 5:00 P.M. Next year we hope to move it back to November again. Let's have a good turnout. Last year we only had about 30 people attending. I am asking the Knights to bring extra food so the families of our deceased brothers will be exempt from bringing anything.

We have changed the date of our January business meeting to Wednesday, January 6 because our beloved Hawks will be playing in the Orange Bowl on the 5th.

Don't sit at home on New Year's Eve. Come to our council hall for a fun evening. See the article in this bulletin for more details.

Congratulations to Steve Pasker, our Knight of the Month for December. Steve has only been a Knight since March, but has volunteered for many things with us. He has become a very familiar face around the hall in a very short time.

Congratulations also to our Family of the Month: Tom and Pam Satern and family. All of them are very active at St. Pius parish. Their children are following the good example of Tom and Pam and are becoming parish youth leaders, as Tom and Pam are at St. Pius.

Do not forget that there will also be a First Degree at 3:00 P.M. on Sunday, January 10.

Blessed Christmas and New Year to all of you.

M.C. Ries, Grand Knight

MEMORIAL MASS

This year's Mass to honor our departed brother Knights will be held on Sunday, January 24, 2010 at 5:00 P.M. at our council hall on Kacena Ave. in Marion. Fr. Walter Kleinfehn of Cedar Rapids will celebrate the Mass, followed by our council's Winter Soup Party. I ask that all attending members bring a little extra food, so that the families of the deceased will not be expected to bring anything. If you plan to attend, please contact me via phone (.363-3347) or email: mrries56511@mchsi.com

M.C. Ries, Grand Knight

TURN IN VOLUNTEER HOURS

Please remember to turn in your voluntary man hours that you performed as service to your Church and community in 2009. Just total them up and report them to me. No need to itemize them. You can turn them in at our January meeting, email them to me at mrries56511@mchsi.com, or phone me with them at 363-3347. I need to have them turned in to Supreme by January 31.

M.C. Ries, Grand Knight

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

We had an average breakfast for the month of December with 188 people served. The January breakfast is on the 10th, not the 3rd. Also, the Boy Scouts at St. Pius manage the February breakfast, please buy your tickets and support them. Continue to let your friends know about the breakfast and bring them along with you. I am looking for someone from St. Pius Parish who would be interested in volunteering to pick up groceries the week before the breakfast. Please call or email me if you have interest in helping. Thanks to all workers and families, the breakfast supports our monthly operating expenses for the Knights. Happy New year!

John Pacha, Coordinator

TAX DAY 2010

April 15 - tax day - is right around the corner. It's become popular this time of year to encourage the opening of an IRA or similar retirement annuity, or the depositing of additional funds into an existing account, as a tax savings vehicle. A secondary approach is to tout the rate of interest that money in one of these accounts can earn. Let me join the chorus of folks encouraging you to open or add funds to an annuity, but for a different reason.

Certainly, contributing money to a Knights of Columbus annuity will allow you to save some money on your income tax return. And our annuities do pay a very competitive interest rate, consistent with our primary goal of absolute safety of principal. Opening or adding to an annuity for these reasons, however, strikes me as taking a short-term view of a product that is designed to provide long-term security. How much security? How does a retirement income that you cannot outlive – guaranteed – sound to you?

Here at the Knights of Columbus, you can open a retirement annuity for as little as \$300. Consistent and disciplined savings placed into that annuity over time can guarantee you an income at retirement that you cannot outlive. That guarantee – along with the fact that no one has ever lost money left in a Knights of Columbus annuity (remember – **absolute** safety of principal), really will provide you with peace of mind.

I am happy to meet with you – at your convenience and in your home – to explain in detail the benefits of opening a Knights of Columbus annuity, along with the benefits of our top-rated life insurance and long term care insurance plans.

As you ponder all the things that may not work out as you proceed toward retirement, think about one thing you can do to help yourself – opening a Knights of Columbus annuity. It's reasonably priced (\$300 to start), guaranteed, and controlled by someone you trust – you!

I'm at 319-377-7876 or david.albee@kofc.org. Call me – let's talk.

Dave Albee, K of C Insurance Agent



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NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Rather than sit at home in front of the TV on New Year's Eve, why not come to the hall and enjoy our New Year's Eve party. Bring a snack and a game to play. Do not forget to bring all of the family. There will be something to do for everyone. Refreshments will be furnished. Bring a prospective new member and his family and show them the fun things the Knights of Columbus do.

FREE THROW CONTEST

Our council will be hosting its annual free-throw contest at the St. Joseph's school gym in Marion on Sunday January 24th, 2010. We ask all contestants to arrive at noon, then 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 the St. Joseph's school gym on an undetermined date in February. I have a handful of folks who have volunteered to help. Please call if you know someone who would like to participate or if you would like to help. You may reach me at 373-1762.

John Pacha, Coordinator

WIN A MAYTAG REFRIGERATOR

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a raffle with all proceeds going to the Tara (Olsen) Nurre Surgery Fundraiser. Tara has been suffering from Degenerative Disc Disease for just over five years now. She has endured several surgeries and treatments over these last five years and is hopeful to have one last surgery that, due to the FDAs pending approval, must travel overseas to Germany to receive. Please help her achieve this goal!

The drawing will be held January 15, 2010 at the Knights of Columbus Council 5390 fish fry. Winner will be notified via phone with number provided.

Win a Maytag Refrigerator
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You pick the size (36" or 33" wide) and the color.

For more information on which fridge is available go to:
www.tinyurl.com/fridgeselection.

Winner will have their unit shipped directly to their home
free of charge anywhere in the lower 48 states!

Chances are \$5 each or \$20 for 5 chances.

COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP LIST

The Council Membership list will be updated shortly. Contact me (bulletineditor@kofc5390.org) if you know of any changes, additions or updates concerning:

- Address
- Phone number
- Spouse name
- Parish

Jim Klein, Knight Light Editor

DUES INCREASE

The Supreme Council has increased the per capita dues that are to be passed on to members. Thus the dues for 2010 will be \$26 dollars for the regular dues. Please plan to pay your dues at the January 6th business meeting to save on postage.

Dick Linden, Financial Secretary

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

During the 2008 fraternal year, the Knights of Columbus contributed more than \$150 million and nearly 68 million volunteer hours to benevolent causes. That's what the annual Survey of Fraternal Activity indicated and that's what the Order was able to publicize to the world. This information is submitted to the IRS yearly to be sure Knights of Columbus keep its tax exempt status. Please be sure each Grand Knight completes the Fraternal Survey #1728 which is due Jan. 31, 2010.

An important date for the Officers of each Council in our District is the District Meeting which will be held 7:00 pm, Monday, January 18th at St Jude's parish hall. We would like each Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Membership Director and Financial Secretary to be in attendance.

I would like to wish each of you blessings in abundance as we celebrate the birth of our Savior. A goal for the New Year is for each member to ask one Catholic man to be a Knight of Columbus in 2010.

Happy New Year

Gerald Fetzer, District Deputy

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