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FOR THE FAMILY OF

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

Albee, Dave (lead)	Beke, Mike (lead)
Conrad, Scott (cook)	Holtz, Bill
Schmitt, Bob	Baumler, Conrad
Perra, Dan	O'Rourke, Dave
Enneking, Dick	Ernst, Earl
Schiffer, Howard	Weaver, Jacob
Puffer, Jeff	Collentine, John
Wendling, John	

----- 10:00 TO 1:00 -----

Conrad, Dick (lead)	Schrader, Steve (lead)
Van Gorp, Greg (cook)	May, Chris
Eichenberger, Dale	McGlaughlin, Jim
Parent, Jim	Kramer, Kurt
Litfin, Martin	Holubar, Mel
Antonelli, Mike	Hunstad, Mike
Schmidt, Ray	Hess, Steve
Novey, Steve	

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

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

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
 Feb 28 1st Degree at Council 5677 at 11:00 AM
 Feb 28 2nd & 3rd Degrees at Council 5390 at 1:00 PM
 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
 Apr 6 Business meeting 7:30 PM - First Degree 7:00 PM
 Apr 16 Fish Fry
 Apr 18 Highway Clean Up 1:00 PM
 Apr 19 MCC meeting 7:30 PM
 Apr 20 Staff meeting 7:30 PM
 Apr 25 Highway Clean Up 1:00 PM rain date
 Apr 25 Wives Appreciation Dinner Time TBD
 Apr 30 State Convention Des Moines

**1st Degree & Business meeting
 Tuesday, February 2, 2010**

**6:00 pm Candidates meet
 7:00 pm 1st Degree
 7:30 pm Business Meeting**

**Deadline for the March issue of
 the *Knight Light* is Wednesday,
 February 24, 2010.**

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	Michael Pennington
St. Pius Seminary	St. Pius Seminary
1235 Mt Loretta Ave.	1235 Mt Loretta Ave
Dubuque, IA 52003	Dubuque, IA 52003

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

GOD BLESS YOU ALL! As of January 17, the total volunteer man hours that 5390 has devoted to their church and community last year are 15,223. That is up significantly from last year. This is from only 38 Knights who responded to my request. That is less than 10% of our membership. Don Hatfield led the group with 1500+ hours. Most of this was re wiring flood damaged homes. Congratulations, Don, and all of us wish you a rapid recovery from heart surgery. Jim Hynes, Leon Hartogh, Dave Van Gorp, and Frank Stull all recorded over 1,000 hours. Those who recorded over 500 hours were: Mike Alt and Greg Van Gorp. Eighteen of you registered over 100 volunteer hours. All of you deserve a pat on the back.

Our district deputy, Gerry Fetzer, is running out of time and has asked that he be replaced as coordinator of the Kids' Skating Party. Ted Steger has graciously agreed to accept that responsibility. The Skating Party was a success, with more kids than last year, but I regret to inform you that Phyllis Lange lost a digital camera at the skating party. If anyone knows anything, please call Phyllis at 393-7256. As you know, they are expensive.

By the time you get this, the March for Life will be history. We will have two guest speakers at our February meeting reporting to us on their impressions of the March for Life. They will be students who went on the trip. Please attend our meeting and welcome them.

Please remember that Lent begins already on February 17. That means that "Fish Fry Season" is rapidly approaching. Let's all say a prayer for its success.

Congratulations to Juergen Bruckner as our most recent Knight of the Month. Juergen attends St. Joseph's. He is finance chairman there, teaches 7th grade religious education, and is a member of the parish council. Juergen also works at our pancake breakfasts, fish fries, and at our weddings. He also does flood relief work, and was team leader when we painted the rectory at St. Joseph's this year.

Congratulations to Don and Fran Hatfield, our Family of the Month. Don and Fran have 7 children, 4 of whom are adopted. Fran volunteers at the free Health Clinic and Green Square Meals, as well as cares for her mother, who lives with them. Don works at our fish fries and pancake breakfasts. He also "pulls wires" in flood damaged homes. Thus far, Don and others have rewired about 200 homes. Don is currently recovering from heart surgery, please pray for his full recovery.

Do not forget to buy your tickets for the DANCE FOR LIFE. It will be held Saturday, March 6th at our hall.

M.C. Ries, Grand Knight

14TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

When: Saturday, March 27, 2010

**Where: Xavier High School
6300 42nd St Ave NE
Cedar Rapids, IA**

Keynote speaker: Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers. You can register online at:

<http://www.catholicmenonline.org/Registration.html>

DISCOVERY LIVING DONATION

Knights of Columbus councils in Linn County raised more than \$41,000 during last fall's annual Tootsie Roll campaign on behalf of Discovery Living.

"I'm amazed at the generosity of people in our area, especially considering the flood and recession," said John Morris, director of Discovery Living. The organization operates 23 homes in the metro area serving 115 adults with developmental disabilities.

Morris also thanked the volunteer work by the Knights of Columbus, who founded Discovery Living in 1977. "What's most impressive is the Knights' continued involvement with Discovery Living," said Morris. "Sometimes projects are launched and the sponsor moves on to something else."

The Knights of Columbus officials thanked the many businesses that allow Tootsie Roll sales each year. KC Councils in Cedar Rapids, Marion, Fairfax, Central City / Coggon / Prairieburg and Walker / Urbana / Center Point participated.

Discovery Living is building a new service center at 1015 Old Marion Road NE and plans to move in to it in June.

ST. GEORGE AWARD

Michael Beke has been awarded the St. George Award for making significant and outstanding contributions to the spiritual development of Catholic youths through Scouting. Archbishop J. Hanus presented the award, by the Diocese of Dubuque and the local Catholic Committee on Scouting, on Jan. 17 at a special Mass honoring all recipients of religious awards at all levels of scouting. Mike was one of two recipients this year. His service in the Knights of Columbus – notably the annual PID/Tootsie Roll Drive and monthly pancake breakfasts -- along with coordinating and running the first Pope Pius X award classes in recent memory were recognized as qualifications for the award. The Pope Pius X award curriculum theme is religious vocations, and encourages youth to explore life and career choices based on religious vocation. Mike is an assistant scoutmaster for Troop 560 and committee chairman for Pack 560, and has accepted his new role as Chairman of the Hawkeye Council Catholic Committee on Scouting. He has sons in both levels of scouting, and is strongly supported in scouting activities by his wife Cathy.

2009 FINAL REPORT OF FOOTBALL FRENZY WINNERS

List of winners from our council this year:

Ken Bauer, week 2, \$150.00
Julie Bellendier, week 8, \$150.00
Harley Haber, week 10, \$225.00
Total winners in our council - \$525.00

Don Krall, week 8, \$87.50 (non-member)

Anamosa council and North Linn council also had 2 winners each.

Larry Block

1ST, 2ND AND 3RD DEGREE INITIATIONS

There will be a First Degree on Sunday, February 28th at 11:00 AM at Council 5677. New candidates should be there at 10:30 AM.

That same day, there will be a 2nd and 3rd degree at 1:00 PM at Council 5390. New candidates should be there at 12:30 PM.

VOCATIONS SUPPORT

The Council received thank you's from the two seminarians we are supporting. \$500 was sent to both Mark Murphy and Michael Pennington in December.

Mark, a member of Council 5390, entered St. Pius X Seminary at Loras College Fall 2008. He completed his third semester at St. Pius X Seminary at Loras College with one semester remaining to complete the pre-theology program. He will then begin the four-year major seminary in Fall 2010.

Michael is a sophomore studying at Loras College and is also affiliated with St Pius X Seminary. He will use some of the \$500 to cover expenses for a trip to Peru as part of a class at Loras. The rest will go towards college expenses during the spring semester.

Fr. Scott Bullock, the Director of Seminarians for the Archdiocese encourages all of us to pray for these seminarians and all young men in the seminary. Sending cards, notes or other wishes of encouragement will help them know that others are supporting them in prayer. This kind of moral support is also required by Supreme in order to receive the \$100 refund for each \$500 donated. This is why we publish their addresses in The Knight Light.

All three letters will soon be posted on the Council website at www.kofc5390.org.

*Kenneth Bauer
Vocations Chairman*

HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF

In an effort to come to the aid of the people of Haiti, who are suffering the humanitarian catastrophe from the earthquake, the Knights of Columbus has sent an immediate contribution of \$50,000 to Catholic Relief Services. We invite Knights to make contributions through the Supreme Council so that we can maximize the impact of the funds raised, and document the amount donated in this tragedy by members of the Order.

Donations by individual Knights can be made on line at the Supreme Council website (www.kofc.org). Checks should be made out to Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. and mailed to 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT 06510. Please write "Haiti Earthquake Relief" on the memo line of the check.

Contributions will be used to provide assistance wherever it can have the most immediate impact, and where the need is greatest.

We ask all Knights and their families to also offer their prayers for the victims of this terrible disaster.

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

February will be a very busy time for all our councils. With the beginning of Lent, we will begin our Lenten Fish Fries. I encourage everyone to help as much as you can to make these successful.

We also have a District Freethrow Contest at St. Joseph's Gym in Marion on Sunday, February 21st at 12:30pm. Please make sure all your local winners know about this date.

The District will hold 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degrees on Sunday February 28th. The First Degree will be held at 5677, at the corner of Mt. Vernon Rd. and Highway 13, at 11:00 am. The 2nd Degree will be held at 5390, Kacena Ave, Marion at 12:30 pm. Please inform your candidates and 1st Degree Members of these dates and remind them that they are not a Full Knight of Columbus until they do the 2nd and 3rd Degrees. God be with you.

Gerald Fetzer, District Deputy

INSURANCE

A regular source of income from an annuity can help strengthen your retirement strategy. You've put a lot of hard work into saving for retirement. Starting a Knights of Columbus annuity with a guaranteed minimum rate for life can help you enjoy the benefits of your efforts. An annuity can provide a regular source of cash flow for the rest of your life.

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Give me a call to discuss if an annuity is right for you. I can be reached at 270-9307 or at david.albee@kofc.org

Dave Albee, K of C Insurance Agent



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Robert Murphy, State Tourism Chairman