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Tim Risher

Message From Our Grand Knight

In the classic science fiction movie, "The Day the Earth Stood Still", Mr. Carpenter, AKA Klaatu was able to neutralize all electricity in the world so that all electricity, except in air-planes in the air and hospitals, stopped working for thirty minutes. No cars could run, no elevators, no toll bridges, no appliances etc. The world virtually stood still. Pretty cool stuff!

With this the Advent and Christmas season and busiest month of the year where would we be if everything suddenly came to a halt? Think about it as you begin to reflect and prepare yourself for the Advent season.

Our membership meeting in November was well attended with over 85 members present. Still trying to get the count up to 100 members. Perhaps I need to come up with some kind of a challenge/surprise for this occasion. No, I am not going to color my hair blond.

We had our District Deputy, Eugene Smith, as our guest at the November meeting. He spoke very highly of how our meetings are run and well organized. He was also very impressed with the turnout and the meal. However, we may not invite him back as he won twice on the money raffle we had that evening but he did donate back some of the money for free drinks after the meeting. Gene you are always welcome to attend the meetings!

There a lot of activities happening this month from the Christmas party to the gift basket program at St. Joe's. Your help is always needed and appreciated.

In closing I wish all members and their families a joyous Christmas and Holiday Season.

Stay involved and continue to grow Council 1315!

Tim Risher, Grand Knight

Silent Knights

John Schnell For all the hours he puts in being our bar manager and running the events.

Bob Lastufka For repairing the lectern per my request.

Pete Wyzkowski For maintaining the carpets at the hall at his own expense.

Will your name appear next month as a council member who performs Knightly deeds, behind the scenes, and receives little or no recognition? Please say a thank you to these Knights when you see them.

December Anniversaries

02	.....	Herman & Imogene Poston
02	.....	David & Mary Lou Schmidt
03	.....	Darrell & Patricia Logsdon
05	.....	Richard & Betsy Pierce
11	.....	Robert & Lynn Williams
21	.....	Allen & Judy Freeland
28	.....	Larry & Anita Willoughby
28	.....	Francis & Charlie Tully
31	.....	Tim & Claire Hammond

December Birthdays

04	.....	Rick Smith
04	.....	Stanley Harwood
06	.....	Robert Zeller
07	.....	Jack French
09	.....	Camile Picciano
09	.....	Mike Osboe
09	.....	Randy Thompson
10	.....	Allen Dodd Jr.
11	.....	Robert Clark
11	.....	Euel Hurt
14	.....	Robert Fiore Sr.
15	.....	Stephen Maloney
15	.....	Richard Heile
17	.....	Estill Lamastus
19	.....	Bob Austin
20	.....	Willis Krueger
21	.....	Daniel Fortier
21	.....	Bryan Reaka
23	.....	Jim Signorello
25	.....	John Zinobile
26	.....	Gene Faller
27	.....	Joe Kunkel
30	.....	Larry Conrad

Bingo Update

Bingo deposits Year-to-Date are 35 percent over budget.

We really need someone to come forward as a substitute caller and we need someone to be my backup in case of emergency.

Please reflect on volunteering for these positions for the good of the organization.

Allen Freeland

Important Dates

DECEMBER

05	.....	Officers Meeting
05	.....	Charity Committee Meeting
06	.....	Mentally Disabled Christmas Dance
12	.....	Council Meeting
16	.....	January Newsletter articles due
17	.....	Council Christmas Party
21	.....	Fourth Degree
26	.....	Columbus Club

JANUARY 2007

02	.....	Officers Meeting
02	.....	Charity Committee Meeting
06	.....	Non-Denominational Prayer Service
09	.....	Council Meeting
18	.....	Fourth Degree
20 - 22	.....	March for Life 2007
21	.....	February Newsletter articles due
23	.....	Columbus Club

FEBRUARY 2007

06	.....	Officers Meeting
06	.....	Charity Committee Meeting
13	.....	Council Meeting
15	.....	Fourth Degree
19	.....	March Newsletter articles due
27	.....	Columbus Club

Christmas Dance For Mentally Disabled

The Christmas Dance for the Mentally Disabled is Wednesday December 6. Brother Knights and family members are invited to help with this Great Council Activity. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with the band playing from 6:15 to 9:00 p.m.

The Halloween FUN NITE was attended by over 300 guests.

Annual Christmas Basket Program

The Council Annual Christmas Basket program is Friday & Saturday Morning December 15 & 16.

Five (5) Brother Knights with trucks plus five (5) more are needed to load & unload the food at 1:30 p.m. Friday. Volunteers are needed to set up 200 boxes at St. Joseph Gym at 1:00 p.m. Friday evening at 6:00 p.m. the boxes will be filled by volunteers for distribution Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m. Volunteers are needed for Saturday morning. Volunteers please call Ray Grudzielanek 842/3628

Fraternally, Ray Grudzielanek

Public Transportation in Bowling Green, Kentucky

Public transportation in Bowling Green is presently provided by Community Action Regional Transit (CART).

At this time, there are four bus routes covering the city, with a fourth being added on November 20, 2006.

The routes all start at the Donald Butler Building at 921 Beauty Avenue. This is the Community Action headquarters. All buses run on an hourly basis and there is a route for most sections of the city. Service starts at 5:30 a.m. and the last routes start at 5:20 p.m.

The cost is \$2.00 for a one way ride. Stops can be anywhere along the route and should include popular areas (Wal-marts, Kroger's, hospitals, clinics the courthouse, WKU, etc.)

There is also a half fare route available to Seniors (60+), Medicare card holders and persons with disabilities, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

There is also a service for the handicapped and disabled who cannot get to one of the routes. This provided by ADA (American Disabilities Act). Riders must live within ¾ mile of a route. Reservations must be made 24 hours before pickup for scheduling purposes. Cost is again \$2.00 per way. Disabled persons, to receive this service, must fill out an application to verify their disability.

Senior Citizens can get a free service on the routes but must register in the program and receive a pass. They should call 24 hours ahead of time.

Further information can be had by calling The Community Action Center at 270-782-3162.

Gene Faller

Berta Receives Recognition

Congratulations are in order to Karl Berta for being a Knights of Columbus member for 50 years. Our District Deputy presented a certificate of this great accomplishment at our November membership meeting. Please call Karl and send your congratulations.

Tim Risher

What A Night!

SRO (standing room only) was the order for the November first Friday social at the hall. We packed the small meeting room to overflow with over 80 adults and children in attendance for the John Becker spaghetti dinner. And what a dinner it was: spaghetti, salad, rolls, and desert along with your favorite beverage. All for free.

The children, well behaved, were entertained by a movie and popcorn after the dinner.

The small meeting room although crowded was the perfect atmosphere for members to relax and be able to meet and greet fellow members. If you missed this one be sure to put the January date on your calendar. I am sure John will be "cooking" up something special for the next one as well.

Tim Risher

Make Kentucky an Abortion Free Zone

The Pro Life Committee at Sacred Heart Church in Russellville has teamed up with the Diocese of Owensboro's "Gospel of Life Committee" to initiate a state wide prayer campaign to "Make Kentucky an Abortion Free Zone." This powerful Prayer Campaign has been approved by Bishop John McRaith and offered to all of the Knights of Columbus Councils in the state. The Bishop has requested that the program be made available to all the Catholic churches in the Diocese of Owensboro. The campaign will be initiated with Promissory Notes that pledge to pray the rosary weekly and to offer holy hours (Eucharistic Adoration), Masses, and single prayers. Your Promissory Note covers now through October 2007." The Promissory Notes are offered for the conversion of the souls that operate and frequent the Abortion Clinic of Louisville, Kentucky and for the practice of abstinence among our youth and Christian values in our culture.

Please complete both sections of the Promissory Note enclosed and mail the top section to "Make Kentucky an Abortion Free Zone" at 2496 J. Anderson Rd., Auburn, KY 42206. Keep the bottom portion of the note to remind you what you pledged. The

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Membership Report

Please welcome our newest First Degree members:

Andy Cabral
Mark Higdon

Benny Clark
Brent Jennings

Brian Clements
Matt Williams

Ron Henry

We are privileged to welcome the following transfer members:

James Bowers

Charles Lauth

David Lewis

Wayne Leonard

Please try to make an effort to individually introduce yourself and personally welcome these outstanding gentlemen. The next scheduled First Degree Exemplification is Tuesday, January 9th.

The Council is in the process of ordering Name Badges. If you need or want a new clip-on plastic name badge please drop an e-mail to Gabe Cabral at gcabral@fruit.com.

Attendance at the November Meeting was Outstanding, please mark your calendar and plan to attend the December 12th Meeting.

Pete Buser, Membership

Make Kentucky an Abortion Free Zone - *Continued*

prayer pledges will be mailed to Sacred Heart Church in Russellville who will offer them as part of the gifts during pro-life Masses. We are hoping that every parish will dedicate at least one Mass to ending abortion in Kentucky specially praying for the conversion of those who operate and frequent the clinic in our area and the restoration of Christian morals in our culture. If you did not complete a Promissory Note at our October or November Council Meeting Council please take a few moments now to contemplate your response to this Prayer Campaign. As Knights of Columbus we are called to be Pro-life. This is a painless non confrontational way to help end abortion in Kentucky. Please pray the rosary daily for the unborn and for all whose lives are threatened by the "culture of death." Thanks in advance for participating in the Prayer Campaign. If you have any questions please call me at 782-6777.

Fraternally, Tom Parrott, Pro-life Chairman

Bank of BVM Date Oct. 2006-2007

Pray to the Order of *Our Lady, Patroness of the Americas* # Per Week

Rosaries Holy Hours Masses Single Prayers

Making Kentucky An Abortion-Free Zone

Signature _____

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This Promissory Note is my promise to pray weekly for the conversion of the souls that operate and frequent the Abortion Clinic of Louisville, Kentucky and for the practice of abstinence among our youth and Christian values in our culture.

Rosaries Holy Hours Masses Single Prayers

My Pledge

December Mass Readings

Sunday, December 3

First Reading Jeremiah 33:14-16
Second Reading ... First Thessalonians 3:12-4:2
Gospel Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Sunday, December 10

First Reading Baruch 5:1-9
Second Reading Philipians 1:4-6, 8-11
Gospel Luke 3:1-6

Sunday, December 17

First Reading Zephaniah 3:14-18
Second Reading Philipians 4:4-7
Gospel Luke 3:10-18

Sunday, December 24

First Reading Micah 5:1-4
Second Reading Hebrews 10:5-10
Gospel Luke 1:39-45

Christmas, December 25

First Reading Isaiah 52:7-10
Second Reading Hebrews 1:1-6
Gospel John 1:1-18

Sunday, December 31

First Reading Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
Second Reading Colossians 3:12-21
Gospel Luke 2:41-52

Annual Christmas Party

Date:	Sunday, December 17th
Where:	K/C Hall
Doors Open:	2:30 P.M.
Dinner:	3:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.
Kids Entertainment:	4:30 P.M. to 5:15 P.M.
Santa Arrives:	5:30 P.M.
Who:	Members & Their Families, & Widows

Reservation (required) Deadline

Friday, December 8th. Tell us how many are coming from your family.

Please Bring A Dessert To Share

The Knights of Columbus Christmas Party will be on **Sunday, December 17th** at the Hall. Doors open at 2:30 P.M. and we will eat at 3:00 P.M. We will all share a Holiday meal with all the trimmings prepared by Chuck and Dee Dee Lawless and their kitchen crew.

As in the past, there will be entertainment for the kids, and plenty of good food for all. And of course SANTA will make his visit.

If you plan to attend **PLEASE** call the hall (782-6488) and tell us the number of people in your party - adults and children. **Reservations are required.** This will help us to plan appropriately for the group. In past years, many people did not call, and as a result we almost ran out of food. We certainly do not want that to happen. **CALL US AND LETS US KNOW YOU ARE COMING. Call the hall at 782-6488.** This information may be left on the answering machine, so please speak slowly and clearly. There is no excuse for not letting us know if you plan to attend.

Nondenominational Prayer Service

At Planned Parenthood in Nashville, Tennessee - Saturday, January 6, 2007 at 10:15 a.m.

All are invited to Mass at 8:00 a.m. at Fathers of Mercy in South Union then caravan to the center or take I-65 south through downtown Nashville, taking the W-40/65 south highway split. Then take exit 208 which is Charlotte Avenue. Make a right turn and go about 6 blocks to D. B. Todd Ave., make right turn on D. B. Todd. Planned Parenthood of Middle and Eastern Tennessee is second building on right. We will share Scripture, pray, and sing. This is not a protest demonstration but a chance to pray at Calvary where innocent blood is shed. Please join us!

March for Life 2007

There will not be a bus leaving Bowling Green or Owensboro for the March for Life in Washington, D. C. in January. Buses will depart E-town and Louisville on Saturday morning, January 20th and leave to return to Kentucky around 3:00 p.m. on January 22. Price includes round trip travel via Toby Tours buses, 2 nights accommodation at Holiday Inn Arlington, and Kentucky Right to Life Congressional Breakfast at the Capitol Hill Hyatt Regency. Cost of the trip is anywhere from \$150 to \$285 depending on how many folks are in the room. Reservations must be made no later than December 21st. To make reservations call Kentucky Right to Life at 502-895-5959. For more information call Tom Parrott at 782-6777.

Missing Members

Several of our members have moved without a forwarding address. If you know the whereabouts of Michael Clavin or Sojo Ngoy please contact Bernie Schwitzgebel at 781-9652 or Jim Signorello at 782-8462.



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