



Knighly News

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Pete Wyzykowski

Message From Our Grand Knight

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all my fellow Knights.

The holidays are a time when we should give as well as receive. It's a time when we are reminded that everyone isn't as fortunate as we are. For most but not all of us a job, good health and healthy meals are the norm. But so many today are struggling. Please do what you can to help this season. You will get that warm feeling and to give is what it is all about.

Vivat Jesus

Peter Wyzykowski, Grand Knight

Sanctity of Life Chicken Dinner

The Annual Knights of Columbus "Sanctity of Life Chicken Dinner" will be on Sunday, January 17, 2010. Dinner will be served at the Knights of Columbus hall on Searcy Way in Bowling Green. Dinners will be served from 11:00 a.m. through 2:00 P.M. This Dinner is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and benefits three local pro life ministries. Proceeds from the Dinner will be divided between Barren River Right to Life, Pregnancy Support Center, and Rachel's Vineyard which provides retreats for post abortive women and men. The retreats are given by the Fathers of Mercy. All three organizations will provide workers for the Dinner.

Dinner prices will be the same as last year; adults \$6.00 and children ages 3 through 10 will be \$3.00. Advance tickets will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3 for children. Advance tickets will be available for purchase from January 4 through January 16. For advance tickets please call Tom Parrott at 782-6777, the Knights of Columbus hall at 782-6488, Fathers of Mercy business office at 542-4146 or 4148, or the Pregnancy Support Center at 781-5050. Donations of homemade desserts would be appreciated. The desserts will be sold at a nominal cost.

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December Birthdays

01 James Sauerheber
 04 Rick Smith
 04 Stanley Harwood
 05 Trevor Wooldridge
 05 Irvin Watts
 06 Bob Zeller
 06 Rev. Stan Puryear
 07 Jack French
 09 Camile Picciano
 09 Randy Thompson
 10 Allen Dodd Jr.
 11 Euel Hurt
 11 James Cabral
 11 Joseph Regnier
 13 Carlos Roda-Pacheco
 14 Robert Fiore Sr.
 15 Stephen Maloney
 15 Richard Heile
 17 Estill Lamastus
 21 Daniel Fortier
 21 Bryan Reaka
 22 Nick Maners
 22 George Cornett
 23 Jim Signorello
 25 John Zinobile
 26 Eugene Faller
 26 Bradley Chandler
 27 Joe Kunkel
 28 Chris Vowels
 30 Lawrence Conrad

First Friday

All members are invited to our
 First Friday Family Social.

Friday, December 04
5:00 PM.

We will have
Brats, Burgers
& Beverages.

There is no cost for members and
 potential member guests.

December Anniversaries

02 Herman & Imogene Poston
 03 Darrell & Patricia Logsdon
 05 Richard & Betsy Pierce
 09 Rick & Constance Osborne
 09 Thomas & Nancy Stuller
 11 Robert & Lynn Williams
 20 Jose & Patricia Gallegos
 21 Allen & Judy Freeland
 28 Larry & Anita Willoughby
 31 Timothy & Clair Hammond

Important Dates

December 2009

01 Officers Meeting
 01 Charity Committee Meeting
 04 First Friday
 08 Council Meeting
 17 Fourth Degree
 21 January Newsletter articles due
 22 Columbus Club

January 2010

05 Officers Meeting
 05 Charity Committee Meeting
 12 Council Meeting
 21 Fourth Degree
 25 February Newsletter articles due
 26 Columbus Club

February 2010

02 Officers Meeting
 02 Charity Committee Meeting
 05 First Friday
 09 Council Meeting
 18 Fourth Degree
 22 March Newsletter articles due
 23 Columbus Club

Bingo is every Monday night at 5:00 p.m.

Knights Celebrate National Shrine's 50th anniversary

The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., observes the 50th anniversary of its dedication (November 20, 1959) this week. Named in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, under her title of the Immaculate Conception, the National Shrine is the patronal church of U.S Catholics and the country's preeminent Marian pilgrimage site.

At more than 77,000 square feet, the Shrine is the largest Catholic Church in the United States, and ranks among the largest in the world. Its founder, Bishop Thomas Shahan, was a contemporary of Knights of Columbus founder, Father Michael McGivney -- and both were priests of the (then) Diocese of Hartford. Knights have been actively involved and supportive of the Shrine's ministry since its beginnings. In 1959, the K of C provided \$1 million for the erection of the campanile, known as the "Knights Tower." Five years later, the Order donated a carillon of 56 bells. The Knights also established a \$1 million endowment in honor of Past Supreme Knight Luke E. Hart to promote Marian devotion at the National Shrine and to preserve and maintain the Shrine. For 27 years the Knights of Columbus has funded, coordinated and staffed an usher ministry at the National Shrine. Since 1989, the K of C has periodically funded internationally televised liturgies and other spiritual broadcasts from the National Shrine. In 2007 the Knights provided \$1 million to the National Shrine for the installation of a mosaic depicting the Incarnation of Christ. The Order has conducted several events at the National Shrine, and will return there in 2010 during its Supreme Convention in Washington, DC.

Blessed (mother) Teresa of Calcutta visited the Shrine on multiple occasions. Pope John Paul II visited it in 1979 and Pope Benedict XVI addressed U.S. bishops there in 2008.



2010 Holy Days of Obligation

- **Mary, Mother of God**
Friday, January 1
- **Ascension**
Thursday, May 13 (transferred to Sunday, May 16 in most dioceses of the United States)
- **Assumption of Mary**
Sunday, August 15
- **All Saints Day**
Monday, November 1
- **Immaculate Conception**
Wednesday, December 8
- **Christmas**
Saturday, December 25

November Membership Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2009 General Membership Meeting

Prior to the meeting Bill Schlicht of the American Red Cross talked to us about disaster preparedness.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 by Grand Knight Pete Wyzykowski. Roll of officers was called and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Grand Knight Report

Thank you letters were acknowledged. Father Tiel was recognized and thanked for being at the meeting. The insurance agent Bart Hulsmeyer was also recognized and thanked for attending.

The Treasurer's Report was given.

Financial Secretary Report

We had 324 members on October 31, 2009 with 9 members in arrears on their dues

4th Degree Report

We have a meeting coming up next Thursday, the meal will be a Turkey Dinner.

District Deputy Report

There is a mid year state officers meeting coming up in December. There will be a 4th Degree exemplification in Pine Groove this winter.

Columbus Club Report

Resumes for Hall Manager have been received and are being reviewed.

Insurance Agent Report

Bart Hulsmeyer talked about long term care, term life and annuities. The annuities are earning about 3% now.

Committee Reports

Family of the Month - Family of the month for November is John and Janet Haynes.

Pro Life - cards for the sick and distressed were available to sign. Last Saturday was the last prayer service for the year at Planned Parenthood in Nashville. A Pro Life bill board has been ordered.

Church Activities - On November 29th there will be a Corporate Communion at the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Church. There will be a 40 hour Eucharistic Adoration at Holy Spirit prior to the move to the new church. Our speaker next month will be Peggy Bright

Council Activities - 189 Football Fantasy Tickets were sold.

Bingo - Crowds are down, we are averaging 130 to 140 players per week. We think it is down because of the economy because all other local Bingo halls attendance are down. We could use more help on the first Monday of the month. Our income is down because of the lower attendance.

Tootsie Roll Report - We did well this year our income was about \$6,000 which is up a little from \$5,800 last year. Pete Wyzykowski gets the Golden Tootsie Roll award this year. The hall was being rented so Pete let us use his building as a place to operate the Tootsie Roll drive.

First Friday Social - It was moved from the first Friday in November to the 2nd so we can decorate the hall for Christmas. There will also be a Chili supper.

Christmas Baskets - John Goessling reported that baskets will be distributed on December 19th. We will meet at St Joseph's gym on Friday the 18th to assemble the boxes. The truck with food will arrive

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at 4:30 p.m. Twenty-one items go into each box and 200 boxes will be assembled. On Saturday morning baskets will be distributed between 8:30 and 11:30. There will be a sign up sheet available at upcoming events or you can call John at 781-1777.

New Year's Eve Dance - The dance has been cancelled.

We will still have dance lessons for \$5 per person. Pete Wyzykowski will be sending information about when the lessons will be held.

Matt Kaiser thanked the group for helping the Youth Group raise funds to go to the National Catholic Youth Conference. They will be leaving to go to the conference in Kansas City next Wednesday. There will be a pancake breakfast at St. Joseph church after the 8:00 am and 10:30 masses to support the youth groups.

Old Business

There was a second reading motion to donate \$500 to the American Red Cross. It was seconded and passed.

New Business

Keep in mind that we should be helping widows. The youth group has a work day scheduled for the Saturday after Thanksgiving so if any Knights can supervise they will be available to work.

Chris Vowels was thanked for getting our speaker tonight.

The Grand Knight asked about the sick and distressed. The cooks were thanked and anniversaries and birthdays were announced.

We will try to have a 1st degree ceremony next month.

There was a closing prayer and the meeting adjourned at 8:25



December Mass Readings

Sunday, December 6

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

Sunday, December 8

Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary *

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

Sunday, December 13

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

Sunday, December 20

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

Friday, December 25

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

Sunday, December 27

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

* Holy Day of Obligation

Family of the Month

JOHN AND JANET HAYNES

John is a native of Chicago, IL and moved with his family in 1971 to Bowling Green, KY. Janet is a native of Louisville, KY and moved to Bowling Green in 1980. They met while working on undergraduate degrees at Western Kentucky University.

John is a CPA and is employed as the Comptroller for Greenview Regional Hospital. He has worked at Greenview for 15 Years and prior to that for another 10 years with Logan Memorial Hospital in Russellville, KY. Janet is employed in the Payroll Department at Western Kentucky University.

John became a 3rd Degree member of Council 1315 in April, 2004. In April, 2006, he became a member of Father Alexander Korte 4th Degree Assembly 2231 in Bowling Green.

John has worked in several programs with the Knights of Columbus:

1. Past Treasurer of Council 1315 for 2 years
2. Bingo
3. Sanctity of Life Chicken Dinners
4. Corporate Communion
5. Tootsie Roll Drives for the Mentally Disabled
6. Easter Egg Hunts

They are members of St. Joseph Parish. They both participate in several of the fund raising events sponsored by St. Joseph School.

Janet serves on the Altar Society at St. Joseph.

John and Janet have been married for 29 years. They were married in St. Joseph Church by Father Ray Goetz on October 4, 1980.

They have one daughter, Sarah, who is 11 years old and is in the 6th Grade at St. Joseph School.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FAMILY OF THE MONTH...JOHN AND JANET HAYNES

'Food for Families'

Knights of Columbus Announces \$1 Million for U.S. and Canadian 'Food for Families' Program

With the number of Americans and Canadians at risk of hunger far higher than usual and the number of those planning to give to charity at this time of year lower than usual, the Knights of Columbus has committed \$1 million and legions of active volunteers to its "Food for Families" program to collect food and financially support food banks in the United States and Canada this winter.

Statistics released by the USDA show nearly 50 million Americans experienced "food insecurity" last year, while new numbers in Canada show those using food banks has increased by 18 percent in the past year.

The program encourages each state jurisdiction in the United States and each province jurisdiction in Canada to work with their local parish churches and other public places to collect food for food banks in their area. Those states and provinces in which a significant number of councils participate will then be allocated a portion of the \$1 million fund for food banks in their areas.

Read more of this article at <http://kofc.org>.

Insurance News

FAMILY SECURITY

The holiday season is upon us, the season of gift giving. What will you give your family this year? How about the gift of family security? Can you think of anything more important than your Family's Security?

What would happen to your family if you died? Would they be provided for? Life insurance is a valuable financial tool because of the many benefits a policy can provide beyond a death benefit. Depending on which policy you choose, there are added living benefits to life insurance, which can be used in a variety of ways. The Knights of Columbus has several types of life insurance available for their members and the member's family. Why not consider a policy as a gift to your family this holiday season? Our motto "Protecting families for generations" says it all.

Are you looking for a sound investment for your family's security? Have you considered a Knights of Columbus annuity? Our annuity will provide long-term accumulation of wealth, specifically designed for retirement needs. It is secure because it is backed by the Knights of Columbus, an organization that earns the highest ratings from independent rating services while maintaining high ethical standards. Our investment philosophy is consistent with the nature of the funds entrusted to us. We invest in vehicles that generate competitive rates for you, while assuring absolute safety of your retirement nest egg. Whether you're looking to start a retirement savings program or moving substantial, more volatile funds into 'safer waters', the Knights of Columbus offers programs that can help you achieve your goals.

It's often overlooked when considering family security, but long-term care is a mainstay in a solid financial plan. Record numbers of people are living well into their 80s, 90s...and even past the age of 100. That translates into more time to do the things you want to do, to spend time with the people you love. It also poses new challenges. It is very possible that you or your spouse may someday need assistance with the basics of living. The phrase long-term care is used to describe assistance with daily activities and can take place at home, in an assisted living facility, or in a nursing home. Long-term care insurance removes the worry about many of the financial and emotional issues surrounding this very common life situation. The Knights of Columbus offers this coverage for members and their spouses.

As you gather with your family during this holiday season, think about the ways you can give them the gift of family security. Call your local field agent or myself today to schedule a time to meet and discuss these important issues.

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A Catholic boy and a Jewish boy were talking and the Catholic boy said, "My priest knows more than your rabbi."

The Jewish boy said, "Of course he does, you tell him everything."



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