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Council 9317

Thomas G. Carpenter

Grand Knight

meeting at

St. Francis of Assisi

Catholic Church

Rev. Msgr. Peter Buchignani, V. G.

Pastor

Rev. Robert J. Stellini

Associate Pastor

&

Council Chaplain

Rev. Martin Orjianioke

Associate Pastor



first Grand Knight's Report. Why you may ask? Well believe it or not! Becoming Grand Knight has been on my mind since Tim asked me to be his Deputy. As time came closer to that day –I began to learn not only the importance of being Grand Knight, but how important the Knights of Columbus is to this Church.

NEXT MEETING

MON . 3 Aug. '09

Social Meetings – As Scheduled

UPCOMING EVENTS –August 2009

- 03 Aug 7:00PM Council Meeting, Rm 108
- 15 Aug ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Parish Picnic, 6:00PM-till
- 23 Aug Ice Cream Social, 1:30-3:30, Room 107
- 30 Aug First Degree
- 31 Aug Silver Rose Fun Run for Life
- 31 Aug **September Council Meeting, 7:00, Rm 108**

AUGUST NATAL DAYS: Jason Backus, Raymond Baker, Charles Belak, Tom Booth, Robert Bryant, Anthony Cianciolo, George Curran, James Dempsey, Gary Fetz, Richard Graziosi, Chad Harrell, PGK, Charles Herron, Oscar Jackson, Deacon Charles Lightcap, Tony Litwinchuk, Michael Mothersell, David Nelson, Steve O'Looney, Deacon James Piatchek, Carlo Pirani, Sr., Brian Powers, Anthony Rotzoll, Mark Roudebush, Mike Schwegman, Bud Scruggs, III, Greg Smith, Bernard Snyder, Mark Trice, Greg Vandeven, MD, Jimmy Walker and, John York.

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT – While sitting on the beach on my first day of a 10 day vacation, I decided to re-write my

We as a whole have been an instrumental part of the growth of St. Francis.....and we should be extremely proud of that. We will always be an important part of this church. But we must never forget we are **Christian, Catholic** men first. Charity is the most important lesson we have learned. We have many charities we can give too and ones on which we can see our impact. In order to free up time to do charities that make an impact, we have made a few changes. We will not be having the dinner series this year. We will still be doing the Fish fries, one wine tasting and one vary large meal at the school. We will have some other fund raisers but they should not be very time intensive. As I stop writing for a moment and look at the waves I notice each one is unique They all act in a different way. The same way we should do when doing charity.

The 4th Degree Knights are known as the "Visible Arm of the Knights." Why should this council not also be known that way. Granted, we are visible at the dinners and other church events but we can be more visible. In the future, when we give a check to a charity we need to have a group of Knights go deliver the gift and witness your charity at work. I remember my most memorable charity work as a Knight. A group of 10-15 Knights went to Charlie's house and we spent a day painting it. I had a sense of accomplishment and also had a great day spending time with fellow Knights. Let' do more hands on projects rather than just give money. Let other people see the Knights in action. One time when that happens is at the MR Drive...We need to make the MR Drive a major event. Then hand deliver as a group the money to the charity, or charities, we choose.

Where else are we visible????? BE VISIBLE---If you can remember ---try to wear your name badges to Mass---You will be amazed at the amount of Knights who are at each Mass. Be proud to wear it. As I look back at the waves --I remember back in WWII when I parachuted behind enemy lines....Bob Joke

Let me get to the point. I want this council to come together, volunteer and get visible! Lets find a church without Knights and help it. We maybe can find a Baptist Church or a family in need and help them. Talk to people about the Knights---The more visible we are and the more people hear about our good works --the prouder we can be and also make more men want to become Knights.

I have asked the Charity Committee to find us some highly visible charities with a large impact. Get involved in these charities and let's show people why we are knights. If you meet a new knight --get them involved. I would like to challenge all of the Knights at the Timothy J. Coyle Council #9317 to try to accomplish the following 3 things.

1. Wear your badges to each Mass, Church event and Knights event. This will make it easier to do the second thing.
2. Find a new Knight--sponsor him---go through all the degrees with him. Take responsibility for him and get him involved.
3. Get actively involved and be visible.

I am sure that with the officers you have elected and your help we can make this a year we can be proud of and show a lot of people how proud we are to be Knights.

It is truly an honor to be elected your Grand Knight. I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your Grand Knight. I also want to promise to you all that I do not take the position lightly and will do the job to the best of my ability. In order to do that I must have very able and competent officers in my administration, which I truly believe I do. I also will need the support of all brother knights to offer new ideas , to help in the recruiting of new knights and also keep me in line. I look forward to a year we all can be proud of.

I do need to report on the following items:

On Saturday June 27th the State Kick off meeting was held at OLPH. Mike McCusker, Scott Shelton, Dave Zwissler, Byron Nestler, John King , Bob Rounsefell and I attended this event.

The State officers decided the theme for this year would focus on "Stewardship" Father Joey Kaump gave an inspiring talk not only at the Mass but also at the beginning of the meeting. He emphasized the importance of having God in your life first, Family second and then the Knights. He explained that being a Steward means you are an agent of God and how important it is. Become closer to God each day in order to be the best agent as possible. He challenged us all to pray more---say the rosary or The Lord's Prayer each morning. We are very blessed to have Father Joey as our State Chaplain. We also were blessed to have received a visit from Bishop Steib, who thanked the Knights for all our work and support we give the churches of West Tennessee.

State Deputy Mike Porter and his officers have done an outstanding job this past year and are sure to do it again this year. He has challenged us all to not only recruit new knights but to get them active.

We have this year, what I believe to be the best Membership committee in the country. Byron has agreed to stay in his position, but also Tony Neri has agreed to assist as well. Having said that , I want you to know that the responsibility of recruitment lies on each and everyone of the Knights shoulders. We have over 300 knights in this council with probably 80 active brothers. I want to challenge each active member to find just one new Knight this year. I also would like ask you to go thru the degrees with him and get him active. Look around, there are a lot of men at St Francis that are not Knights. One suggestion is to think about wearing your name badge to Mass, a possible prospect may come to you.

Okay ---now that I have dragged on, let me just thank you again for giving me this great opportunity.

The Grand Knight read a thank you note from St. Benedict at Auburndale for the council help with their recent graduation.

Two new transfers-in were read in by the Grand Knight., Angelo Lucchesi and William Scanlan.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT -- Fr. Bob spoke of keeping God first in our lives. He also mentioned a Scripture reading, but these worn out ears did not fully understand what he was saying.

TREASURER'S REPORT -- Jay Stressel was excused..

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT -- Scott reported we had approximately \$7500 in the bank with about \$5000 of that reserved.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT -- .Chairman "Doc" Neri reported an informal admissions meeting on 19 August, a regular admissions meeting on 22 August and a First Degree on 30 August, all times TBA. A Second Degree will be held before the regular meeting on 5 October. Also, there will be a Third Degree on 24 October, place TBA.

INSURANCE MATTERS --

CHURCH REPORT -- No report

COMMUNITY -- Chairman Armando Velarde had no report. He asked a question but I did not understand it.

COUNCIL -- Chairman Emmanuel Villa announced the Knight of the Month award goes to Mike Lafferty.

FAMILY -- Chairman David Zwissler announced the Family of the Month award goes to the Tim and Kelly Malone family.

Both Council and Family awards were well and truly earned, that is for sure.

CHARITY -- No report.

PRO-LIFE -- The Silver Rose is an actual silver rose traveling the country en route to Guadalupe, Mexico. This

year is the 50th anniversary. The rose represents the value of life in all its stages. West Tennessee will host the Rose from 27 August to 6 September. See schedule of events below.

Sunday, 30 August 2009

1. Coordinate Exchange (early morning)
Pat Winkelman (District 4)
St. Philip the Apostle (Council 14482)
2. Council 14482 (Somerville) Prayer Service
POC: George Cocconza
3. Coordinate Exchange (late afternoon)
St. Philip the Apostle (Council 14482)
Michael McCusker (Council 9317)

Monday, 31 August 2009

1. Silver Rose Fun Run (20 miler)
Michael McCusker (Council 9317)
St. Francis of Assisi School
- Wednesday, 2 September 2009
1. Coordinate Exchange (early morning)
Michael McCusker (Council 9317)
George Hirtz (DD, District 2)
 2. District 2 Hispanic Event (TBD – 9/2/-9/4)

Friday, 4 September 2009

1. Coordinate Exchange (early afternoon)
George Hirtz (DD-District 2)
Ray Meadows (DD-District 3)
2. Council 616 Friday Night Social with Prayer Service for Silver Rose

Saturday, 5 September 2009

1. Coordinate Exchange (early morning)
Ray Meadows (DD-District 3)
Pat Casey (DD-District 1)
2. Council 7170 Silver Rose Program
St. Ann Bartlett (TBD)

Sunday, 6 September 2009

1. Coordinate Exchange (early morning)
Pat Casey (DD-District 1)
William Shinnick (Council 13276)
2. Prayer Service at St. Mary's Downtown
(following 10:30 Mass)
3. Coordinate Exchange with Arkansas (following service)
State Deputy/Designated Representative (TN)
Kevin Dunham (Jonesboro, AR Council)

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YOUTH – No report.

VOCATIONS – Chairman Deacon Bill Davis had a rare absence.

HEALTH -- Dr. Greg said GIVE BLOOD, GIVE BLOOD, GIVE BLOOD.

SQUIRES – No report.

RETENTION: -- Co-Chairman Glen Harckum reported there were 32 delinquent members.

FOOD PREPARATION --

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – John King, PGK, moved the Spending Plan be approved. Chuck Ward, Tim Malone, PGK, Byron Nestler, PGK and Jerry Orcholski spoke on the matter.

I am not sure but I think it was finally passed as written with only one NAY vote.

NEW BUSINESS – Tim Malone, PGK, proposed the \$500 in the Jubilee Fund be moved to the General Fund. OKed.

John Duffy presents apron to Ryan Barrow for use during food preparation.

Mike Schwegman moves to present \$100 to MS. OKed.

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT – Pat mentioned something about a Council 7170 function. He also congratulated Mike Lafferty and Tim Malone on their selection as Knight and Family of the Month. He further mentioned the upcoming Grand Knight class that will be taught by State Secretary Bob Rounsefell. A 3rd Degree exemplification at Holy Rosary was also mentioned.

CHAPLAIN'S SUMMATION – No summation.

FOURTH DEGREE REPORT -- Faithful Navigator David Zwissler mentioned the upcoming wives appreciation and awards dinner at the Bonefish Grill on 18 July. He also presented a Life Membership to new transfer-in member Bill Scanlon.

In addition to all on the prayer list we should also give thought to those of us in the council, and the parish as well, who have been laid off in downsizing operations that are so prevalent in today's economic conditions.
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CLOSING THOUGHTS: Please remember your First Degree pledge and pray the Rosary, for your intentions and for the Unborn. Also keep in your prayers Emily Bennett, Bill Brickhill's brother Joseph, Lisa Carpenter's aunt Barbara King, Dave Cash's mother, Danny Doyle PGK, John Duffy's sister-in-law, Glen and Donna Harckum's daughter, Walter Harmeir, Les Harter back in hospital, and his wife Lou, Phil Kellum's mother Mary (died 7/14/09), Bob Laine's son-in-law, Chris Lomasney's father, John McCabe, Meredith McCusker, my brother-in-law, Phil Offerle's cousin Mark, Mrs. Joan Scanlon, members of Mike Sexton's family, Mary Taylor, Chuck Stocks and Keith Wade's father, Alvin. Also keep in your prayers members of our military who are in harm's way guarding our way of life.

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