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meeting at

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As all of you are aware, I am a bit hard of hearing. I am unable to understand what is being said in church and at the meetings. It is a bit frustrating for me to be able to write this newsletter only with a lot of help from the various committee chairmen and other Knights who offer comments, motions etc. at the meetings. Glenn has stated that I should be a true EDITOR and let the chairmen and other Knights be reporters and submit their comments to me for EDITING and transcribing into the newsletter. I will appreciate your assistance and solicit your understanding of my predicament.

A bit of F Y I for your edification:

For a number of years I have heard the phrase "VIVAT JESUS" sometimes stated as "VIVAT JESU." Also, I have heard the translation as being several variations of the one I learned a number of years ago. To put my mind at rest I sent an e-mail to Supreme and asked for the correct spelling and translation. I received an e-mail from Ms Michele Martindale, Administrator, Catholic Information Service, Knights of Columbus, stating the proper wording is **VIVAT JESUS** and the translation as being "**May Jesus Live**" or "**Long Live Jesus.**" For what it may be worth - my personal preference is "**May Jesus Live.**"

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT – I first would like to welcome you all tonight. Are there any guests with us this evening? Welcome...

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving. November is gone and the New Year is just about here. We had a fairly busy November. The first part of the MR drive was held before Thanksgiving. I have been told that so far it has been extremely successful. I want to thank Mike Wess and Armando Velarde for their hard work. I want to also thank all who gave of their time collecting donations and especially to

NEXT MEETING
MON . 4 JAN. '10
Social Meetings – As Scheduled

UPCOMING EVENTS – January 2010

01 Jan Fri **Mary, Mother of God**, Holy Day of Obligation

01 Jan Fri New Year's Classic (Council) Location TBD

04 Jan Mon Council Meeting – 7:00PM, Rm. 108

16 Jan Sat Mid Year Meeting, Nashville, GK & DGK

17 Jan Sun Free Throw Contest, 2:00 PLC Gym

23 Jan Sat Wine Tasting, 7-10PM, Rm 108 (Council)

30 Jan Sat Third Degree at OLPH

TBD Trivia Night (PAC Event) – Right To Life March (ProLife)

JANUARY NATAL DAYS: Mark Anderson, Tommy Ashker, David Barczak, Wallace Blocker, Bill Brickhill, Matt Clark, Kevin Coll, Don Cook, Charles Counts, David Cupp, John Dillard, Mike DiSalvo, Frank Dolan, Dane Flippin, John Gavin, Robert Hayes, Mark Hurst, Terrance Jensen, Patrick Martinez, William Massey, John May, Matthew May, Tim Mulroy, Robert Palasz, Michael Perry, Anthony Podesta, Jerry Reynolds, Tom Rochford, Christopher Rounsefell,

those who worked more than 1 shift. You all should be proud as you think of the good that this charity does. I also would be remiss to not thank Byron Nestler, PGK, again for his hard work in the sale of the candy, which goes directly to the MR drive. You will hear Armando later speak about the second half of that drive. I know this council will give him full support.

Jerry O is not with us tonight, due to knee surgery, but he and George Yohanek gave me the opportunity to see our faith in action. They took it upon themselves to plan a Christmas get together for patients at the Grace Rehab center. With the help of Ray Malone on keyboards and Tim Malone cooking, they were able to pull off a Cajun Christmas party. Yes, I know that sounds strange, but it worked. The patients seemed to thoroughly enjoy it and the Knights of Columbus became visible to people that would not normally be able to see us. I was, to say the least, very proud to be a Knight and very proud to be a Knight in this council. Thank you brothers for your act of giving.

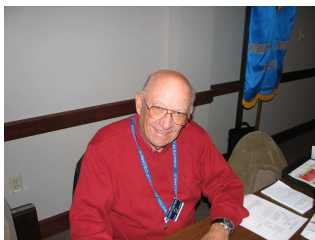
December is here. Next weekend is Breakfast with Santa. This event is one that allows us to give back to the parish while being visible. Please bring your family and lend a hand if you can. We also will have a New Years Eve party, that I hope all of you can attend.

Once again I want to thank you all for the things you do and remember to wear you badge to mass.
Vivat Jesus

The Grand Knight also read the following thank you note from Terri Warner – “Dear Knights, I would like to express a sincere thank you for your kindness and generosity in giving blood. I would also like to extend my gratitude to all the Knights who prayed for him while he was ill. You are all in my prayers. Bless you all, Terri Warner. ‘

CHAPLAIN’S REPORT – Fr. Bob started off with a comment that some legislator was instrumental in keeping “Under God” in our Pledge of Allegiance. He also read something from a paper.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Finally got a pic of our new Chancellor of the Exchequer. He is unique in that he is a master of the keyboard. That is music not adding machine keyboard. Ray took over from Jay Stressel when Jay had to resign due to his wife’s illness. Ray, as you know, is the father of PGK Tim Malone, but don’t hold that



against Ray. That was simply a matter of uterine lottery. They tried to raise him right but Tim was a bit hard-headed. I believe I heard Ray say that the council had a bit over 7K in the bank.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY’S REPORT – The Council netted \$341 for the month. However, \$718 is earmarked for MR and Wheelchair donations not yet paid. We have approximately \$2,300 at the end of November to use for general purposes.

2010 Dues cycle is in full swing. Dues are \$36 plus \$2 for the Culture of Life Assessment for a total of \$38. Pay before January 31 and it is only \$32. Mail payments to:
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If you would like to receive an e-mailed statement only, please let me know and I will update your profile. Please contact me with your e-mail address to ensure I have your current information and you will start receiving your statements the "green" way.

Strictly optional: Pay your membership for up to three years. Our new billing systems allows me to easily track your balance and any prepayment you make goes with you should you transfer. \$90 will keep you current through December 31, 2012 (not including Culture of Life Assessment).

Included with your dues statement (if you received a paper copy) is our annual survey. Each year, Supreme Council requests the volunteer activity of each Council. I compile this information by using the completed forms you submit, so please take the time to estimate your volunteer hours for the last year. Information gathered is used strictly to compile the total for reporting to Supreme. Individual information is not used or shared in any other way. These are due back to me by **January 27, 2010**. A copy is on the web site at [http://www.timothyjcoyle.org/Files/Annual%20Survey%20of%20Fraternal%20Activity%20\(letterhead\).pdf](http://www.timothyjcoyle.org/Files/Annual%20Survey%20of%20Fraternal%20Activity%20(letterhead).pdf), under the "News Worthy" link.

Contact me at ssheltonfs9317@gmail.com with any questions."

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – Chair, “Doc” Neri, welcomed three new members to the council, Lee Covey, Anthony Migliaccio and Brian “Buck” Rogers. He also announced the next 2nd Degree would be on 4 January at 5:15, before the regular meeting at 7:00PM. The next Admissions Committee meeting will be 14 January in Rm 112 of the PLC. If any brother has a name and phone number Tony needs to know so call him at 937-1454 or 830-8600.

INSURANCE MATTERS – Brothers, at your October council meeting I announced that beginning January, 2010, I was going to have fulltime responsibility for councils in the Memphis area, and I would be moving to the area to accept that duty. Please do not let my absence last month and tonight lead you to conclude that I have changed my mind. Those plans remain unchanged, and I can’t wait to get started. This evening I am attending my final council meeting in Jackson, where we are having our first meeting in our own Knights of Columbus building. It is a historical night for Council 1101 that I do not want to miss.

Here is your December insurance report.

First—a question—does anyone **not** know of a Brother Knight who has lost a job recently? The only way I can imagine that you would not know a Brother who has lost a job would be if you have been on another planet for the past year, and have had no communications with earth.

Yet when I try to talk with brother Knights about their life insurance needs, I frequently hear that there is no need because..... "I already have insurance at work."

Many jobs offer some form of group term life insurance. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at no charge, or for a small co-pay. Knowing that this coverage exists may convince someone that he doesn't need to discuss personally owned life insurance with a professional agent. That would be a mistake.

Most forms of group life insurance are limited in amount. That amount may be tied to salary or some other benchmark, but often there is a cap. That cap may be dangerously low for your family's needs should you die. In fact, in the absence of a detailed needs analysis (which I'll be happy to provide, free of charge), any employer-provided coverage may be completely unrelated to needs at death. In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced – and sometimes dramatically – when you retire.

Especially today, there is the very real possibility that you could change employers or lose your job. Or that your benefits could be reduced. In either case you could – one day - find yourself without coverage. If your health has changed in the meantime, you might also find yourself unable to secure individual protection.

While group life helps, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I'll be happy to meet with you and provide a free, custom-tailored needs analysis, so that you'll know exactly where you stand.

I'm at 731-736-0583 or jim.rolleri@kofc.org. Call me – let's talk.

CHURCH REPORT – Chair Mike Lafferty had no report. DGK Mike McCusker mentioned St. Francis choir performing Handel's "Messiah" on 13 December at 7:30PM in the Church.

COMMUNITY – Chair Armando Velarde reported they made collections on the Saturday and Wednesday before Thanksgiving and, with the help of many Knights we had a successful fundraising for the MR Foundation, and collected @2,522.75. Thanks to all participants and especially to Mike Wess for helping me in coordinating and collecting the funds on Saturday in my absence. He stated he noticed the biggest donations were to the kids (sons, daughters and grandkids of Knights). The next MR Drive will be the day before the Super Bowl, and he will be sending around the sign-up sheets at the next Meeting.

COUNCIL – Chair Bill Brickhill announced the Thanksgiving golf outing was a big success and he passed out a number of awards. He also announced it was his honor to give out the Knight of the Month Award. This month's award goes to a Knight who we all know. He does most of his work behind the scenes. He has shown dedication, resolve and persistence each month, just to insure the newsletter is accurate and up to date. He rarely has missed a meeting, and spends his time taking notes in order to recap all the information. This month's deserving Knight is Skip Moore. Aw shucks, thanks.

FAMILY – Chair David Zwissler announced the Family of the Month award goes to a very deserving family. A family which is always seen together at mass and other church functions. The parents seem to go out of their way to teach their children the importance of charity. An example we all should embrace. I am sure you all will agree that this family should be recognized for the Christian family life in which they lead. This award goes to the Greg Vandeven family.

CHARITY – No report.

PRO-LIFE -- Chair Tom Griesmer reported Glen Carpenter and Greg Schmidt have partnered with their work teams at FedEx to adopt a needy Birthright family this Christmas. Their adopted family includes five children. Thanks to Greg, Glen and their coworkers at FedEx for helping this family at Christmas.

St Francis women have two retreat weekends scheduled at Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center. Contact Diane Lafferty (diane.lafferty@tn.gov) for information on the programs scheduled for January 15-17 and January 22-24. Single rooms are \$170 and doubles are \$140. Very nice rooms, great facility, fantastic food and an opportunity to deepen your relationship and journey with God is all waiting for you!

St Francis men's retreat is scheduled April 16-18, 2010. Contact Tom Griesmer (thomas.griesmer@pfizer.com) for information.

YOUTH/SQUIRES – Chair John Beattie reports the next Free Throw will be Sunday 17 January, 2:00 in the PLC gym. This event is open to all boys and girls 10-14 years of age. John needs about 10-12 volunteers to assist. This is a fun event for both participants and volunteers.

VOCATIONS – Chair Deacon Bill Davis had a rare absence.

HEALTH -- I know Greg talked at length about the Health Care matter but I did not understand much of what he said.

RETENTION: -- Co Chair Glenn Harckum reported the committee has exhausted all efforts with just a few remaining. The committee recommends they be dropped.

FOOD PREPARATION –

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – 50/50 drawing had no winner. Money to go to MR fund.

Bill Brickhill called attention to the wreath donated by the scouts.

I believe John King, PGK, made his usual request for volunteers for the Liberty Bowl extravaganza.

NEW BUSINESS – Glenn introduced a guest from St. Philip the Apostle Council 14482, Jim Alberding, and he read the following letter in connection with the Wheelchairs fir Veterans program:

Mr. Petite, Grand Knight Carpenter gave me your e-mail address, and he asked me to contact you about the

Wheelchairs for Veterans program. I am a member of 14482 (St. Philip the Apostle). Our Council is trying to put together a Charity Concert/Fundraiser for this Wheelchair for Veterans Program. The date of the event is tentatively scheduled for April 30th. The venue would be the Bartlett Performing Arts Center (350 seat capacity). The headlining artist would be Jason D. Williams. I am still trying to work on the other act.

There would be several avenues for raising money for the Wheelchair for Veterans program:

- 1) Ticket Sales
- 2) Concessions during intermission
- 3) Sponsorships, listed in a program
- 4) Possibly a Silent Auction at intermission

This project is a large financial commitment for 14482 (close to \$5,000). Ticket sales could generate \$10,150 (that does not include concessions, sponsorships, or silent auction). The success of this event depends on help from the local councils in our region. I think we can sell the majority of the tickets for this event through the councils (to council members and parishioners). But, I need help from the councils in the form of a commitment to sell tickets and possibly find sponsors. I am trying to find out if our council will have the support it needs to make this a successful event (prior to signing the contracts associated with this event). I know we can not be successful w/o the help of St. Francis and the other councils.

Grand Knight Carpenter recommended that I copy this letter to the above individuals, so all feedback is welcome

Again, Thank you for your time and consideration.

Jim Alberding
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Someone nominated the GK and DGK as delegates to the upcoming state convention, and two alternate delegates, one being Byron Nestler. Who was the other one?

CHAPLAIN'S SUMMATION – I will utilize Fr. Bob's spot here to print a few words/thoughts from our Pastor.

To the Knights

Every year at this time, it's important to reflect on the blessings one has received. I find my blessings are usually in the love and support I receive from many parishioners.....Of special value and importance to me is the unbelievable support, love, and assistance I get from the Knights.....I recall very vividly when I was named Pastor of St. Francis of Assisi in the summer of 1995, no sooner had the news become public then I received a letter from Tim Coyle in the name of the Knights offering any assistance I may need in moving to St. Francis. This was but the beginning of my relationship with the Knights of St. Francis of Assisi. What a blessing all of you have been to me and the parish. I shudder to think of what this parish would be like were it not for the Knights. Not only have you worked liked crazy and given so much of your time and

talent to the parish, you have shown a great love for the priests of the parish, especially me as your Pastor. I do not think the English language has sufficient words for me to express my heartfelt thanks for all the Knights have meant to me. May God grant each of you abundant graces - you deserve them. Msgr. Buchignani

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT –

FOURTH DEGREE REPORT – Chair David Zwissler, FN, talked about the upcoming Fourth Degree party on 19 December at the PLC, St. Francis of Assisi Church. He also talked about the upcoming Fourth Degree exemplification on 13 March hosted by Msgr. Leppert Assembly based at St. William Church, Millington.

Byron Nestler, PGK, commented on the schedule of events for the Special Exemplification on Sunday the 13th. The exemplification will start at 3:00, we will attend Mass as a group at 5:00, have a public knighting after Mass, and then go to Applebee's for dinner.

Update on our resident "Evel Knievel" – "Doc" Gonzalez had surgery on his shoulder injured when he had to lay his bike down when a driver backed out of their driveway in November. The doctors removed bone fragments from muscle and tendons around Thanksgiving. That was a surprise as I thought he only suffered road burn and a bad thumping when he hit the pavement. Saw him at Mass Saturday before the meeting. Had his arm in a sling but he looked good otherwise.

GOOD OF THE ORDER -- Bob Laine asked Monsignor if he had seen the movie "Angels and Demons" and stated it appeared to be anti-catholic, especially as regards the election of a Pope. Monsignor stated it was best to ignore it than to give it publicity.

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.

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 and Bill's mother-in-law, (since this typing I have learned she has much improved), Lisa Carpenter's aunt Barbara King, Bill Carpenter, Jr.'s nephew, Dave Cash's mother, John Dolan, John Duffy's sister-in-law, Glen and Donna Harckum's daughter, Walter Harmeir, Les Harter's wife Lou, Bill Hecht, Joe Kuzio's wife, Bob Laine's son-in-law, Chris Lomasney's father, my brother-in-law, Mike McCusker's wife and father-in-law. Phil Offerle's cousin Mark, Lee Powell, Anita Rounsefell, John Saunder's father, Mrs. Joan Scanlon, members of Mike Sexton's family, Chuck Stocks, Jay Stressel's wife Jana, Mary Taylor, Keith Wade's father, Alvin and Gary York's sister who recently passed away. Also keep in your prayers members of our military who are in harm's way guarding our way of life.

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