



The Knight Watch



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Grand Knights Notes By Ken Klispie



Brothers, let's break bread and work on our Fraternity! Each month we have an opportunity to gather as Knight's with our families. This community of Brothers and their families is a great blessing. We have Brothers in their 90's and Brothers in their 20's, some unmarried, some with young children, some with married children and some with grandkids, and still others with great grandchildren. Can any Brother say that their life has not been enriched by Knights? We are still waiting for our Brothers that we rarely see to come to our Social gatherings. Please do not be a Brother in secret, rather let all your Brothers know you are a Knight, so you are known and greeted and welcomed by new Brothers who do not know you!

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for



November:
Universal: Countries Receiving Refugees That the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity.
Evangelization: Collaboration of Priests and Laity

That within parishes, priests and lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving into the temptation of discouragement.

Happy Birthday, Brothers!

Dwain Spreier 11/1
Jack Gaffigan 11/3
Pete Aberle 11/4
Norbert Boeckman 11/7
Michael Majeres 11/9
Deacon Daly 11/12
Bob Simpson 11/18
Henry Handler 11/30

Service Anniversaries

Pete Aberle 63 yrs.
Paul Harrold 36 yrs.
Dick Abel 15 yrs.
Brent Schuller 9 yrs.
James Sobering 7 yrs.
Ken Klispie 4 yrs.

Less than half of our Brothers open and read the emails we send. Fellow Knights, please reach out and invite our Brothers to join us. Let's break bread and strengthen our Council through fraternity!

Tootsie Roll Campaign By Stan Collins

Our 2016 Campaign to Support the Intellectually Disabled (Tootsie Roll Campaign) raised a total of \$2788.38 over six collection weekends. These funds are sent to state and 75% of that total comes back to our council to distribute to our local organizations. Many thanks to every knight who volunteered to collect funds for this most worthy cause.

4th Degree Report By John Collier

The Sir Knights of the 4th Degree send you greetings from Mother Teresa Assembly 2551. We have recently had the pleasure of being Honor Guards for St. Antony at St Rafka Parish. What a wonderful evening of Mass, music, and food. I sure wish more of you could make it to these types of services. We had a blast.

Your Sir Knights also had the pleasure of attending and participating in the exemplification where we installed 3 new 4th degree knights: Ken Flees, Brian Flees, and Carlin Davies. All of us present were very proud.

The Sir Knights also were very happy to carry the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima prior to the opening of the Pilgrimage door blessed by Arch Bishop Sam. My prayer was that you were all in attendance. God Bless! Vivat Jesus!!! John Collier, Past Faithful Navigator

Knights of the Month Proclamation

I am pleased to name Sir Knight and Color Corps Commander of Assembly 2551, Keith Mobley the November Knight of the Month for a variety of efforts to move our council forward. Sir Mobley and the Assembly have been extremely visible at many events recently. Sir Keith and 2551 provided an impressive display as the honor guard for the installation of our new Our Lady of Fatima statue, the opening of our holy doors with Archbishop, along with the many events they always attend as the patriotic degree of our Order. Sir Mobley and his Assembly have also made recent strides to increase their membership. Sir Keith and 2551 are a great asset to our council and community. For this reason, and the many ways they live out our order's principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism, I am convinced that Sir Keith Mobley of Council 9597 and of Assembly 2551 is a worthy recipient of this honor.

Pancake Breakfast By Tom Martinez

Our council pancake breakfasts continue to be a successful endeavor. The October breakfast was not only delicious with the addition of pumpkin seasoned pancakes, but also, all proceeds were given to support the Sundancer Gala event. Please join us again and invite others to our next breakfast on November 20th. The Knights very much enjoy feeding the parish and hope to see you there.

Cub Scout flag retirement event

Do you have an "old glory" that no longer displays well? Do you know how to properly treat an old American flag? There are three organizations authorized and charged with the responsibility of correctly retiring old flags. They are the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Boy/Cub Scouts of America. We are fortunate at Fatima to have a chartered scouting group well practiced in the process. The Scouts will conduct their flag retirement ceremony the evening of November 17th. If you've never seen them do this, you will be in for a special treat. The scouts conduct an impressive program. If you have a flag you'd like to dispose of please contact Paul Rothgery.

Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest

Calling all young artists! Your Knight's council will again participate in the annual Keep Christ in Christmas poster program. Every year we offer the opportunity for children to enter a poster drawing for their age category that creatively conveys the real meaning of Christmas. Look for details to be posted soon explaining the official rules and how to enter.

Refund Support Vocations Program = RSVP By Dale Culuris

The Supreme Council founded RSVP in 1981. Under this program local K of C councils or assemblies make an annual contribution of \$500 or more to an individual seminarian (or novice) to help with his/her expenses. Council or assemblies can support more than one seminarian or novice if their resources allow. The minimum annual donation is \$500 and for every \$500 donated the council or assembly is eligible for a refund of \$100 from the Supreme Council. The maximum refund for a council or assembly can receive is \$400 per individual supported. There is a set of persons eligible to receive RSVP funds and persons not eligible for RSVP. These rules are detailed at the Supreme Council web site (KofC.org). There are also five rules that must be followed to earn the refund (again – look up the Supreme web site). What is worth noting is that RSVP also requires MORAL support that includes:

- a) Correspondence between council and seminarian/postulant
- b) Personal visits to seminary or religious residence
- c) Invitation of seminarian/postulant to council events
- d) Similar signs of interest.

YOUR Council 9597 has been busy selling peaches for almost 11 years and this has resulted in the financial support for seminarians and postulants rising from one to SIXTEEN seminarians in 2016. The council is able to support seminarians/postulants by carefully marketing and selling Palisade peaches obtained from C&R Farms. That event is called “Peaches for Seminarians”. In the last couple of years the American Heritage Girls have supported the program with peach pie sales (and other goodies).

So, what we need to do is to improve our support types noted above in “b” thru “d”. Council Knights have visited the seminary and we have invited seminarians/postulants to our social events with some success (the busy schedule of seminarians/postulants often

prevents them from accepting our invitations). BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP SEMINARIANS AND POSTULANTS with personal visits, invitations to seminarians/postulants to council events and prayers/cards of encouragement. Join in such activities at the risk of feeling “good” and remember that “feeling good” is what God wants us to feel. Support the RSVP program and “feel good”!

Memorial Mass

Dn. Mike Daly

Knights of Columbus memorial mass; Council 9597 will be celebrating a special, annual mass to remember past knights who are deceased. The mass will be held at Our Lady Of Fatima Parish, at 10 AM, on Saturday, November 12. All members and their families are invited. A special invitation is being sent out to all surviving widows of our fallen brothers. During the mass, each fallen brother will be remembered by name as a rose is placed on an empty seat, to show our hope in their eternal rest and their continued communion with us, the council, and the parish. A reception to follow the mass is being planned. In Christ, Dn. Mike

Coats for Kids

By Stan Collins

On Tuesday, October 25, Brothers Mike Majeres, Stan Collins, and Karl Thomas joined knights from St Bernadette's parish to distribute coats to kids who need a winter coat. The students were very appreciative and excited to receive their new coats. The boxes of coats that we ordered from Supreme did not have enough of the larger sizes to fit all of the students who showed up. So sizes were noted for the seven coatless students, and the St Bernadette's council will fill those needs.

That council had purchased several coats from the Burlington coat factory which were well received by the students. We discussed the possibility of joining forces next year with

our fellow district councils to pool our funds to see if we can get a volume discount at Burlington and perhaps be more targeted on the sizes we get.

