



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HAROLD GENTLING COUNCIL 1013

VOCAL KNIGHT FOR APRIL 2009

Grand Knight's Message:

Dear Brother Knights,

We will be having our last Fish Bake for the year on April 3rd. I hope that all of you took the time to attend at least one of them. This has been a very successful year for the dinners. We have worked hard to make this a success and want to thank those who stepped up and really made a difference. We had the same menu as the last two years, but this year we added entertainment that was organized by John Robinson. A special thanks to Bob Mesarchik who gave us a lot of excellent advice on how to advertise the Fish Bake.

The Tootsie Roll drive is coming this month - April 24, 25 and 26th. Please help when called, like you have all done in the past. If you have a time that works for you, give Jerry Freetly a call at 285-9827.

Last month I said that there will be a membership blitz held in April. The Blitz will be held on May 3rd. This is a very important event and you are needed to help with this. Please be ready to help when you are called.

2009 KC State Convention: The KC State Convention is going to be held on May 15 - 17 in St Cloud.

Vivat Jesus,
Steve Freese

1st Annual Rochester Area KofC Dinner Dance

On April 24th the Rochester area Knights of Columbus are having a not for profit Dinner Dance. It is for KC's in the Rochester Area to get together with our wives and have a night out to Socialize. This is a great opportunity for all us that will be for years to come. **(for more information see the attached flyer)**

Semi-annual Road Clean-up Project (adopt-a-highway)

It's that time of the year again, time to pick up the trash that gathers along the road each winter. **Sat. May 9** we will meet at 8 AM at Grandma's Kitchen for breakfast, and for those that just want to work, we will gather at ShopKo north at the west end of the parking lot at **9 AM** to car pool out to Hwy 247. As in the pass the more help the quicker we are finished, we should be back to ShopKo by noon. Family and friends are welcome to join in. For more info. Call Mark 533-4439.

Insurance Segment for council Newsletters- April 2009

Never a Better Time to Call

Here is the one thing we all have to remember as we navigate these very difficult economic waters: Our view of the financial services industry does not change our need for financial products. Nothing has happened on Wall Street impacts

the amount of money you will need when you retire; or how much life insurance you need to protect your family; or whether a long-term care product has a place in your life. Regardless of whether or not you feel confident in the nation's stock brokerage or investments firms, remember that your family's needs have not changed! If anything, your needs have increased.

Many of us are frozen with uncertainty. We are aware of the crisis and aware of the ongoing need to plan and protect but we are still waiting it out and hunkering down.

By now, you likely know that the *Knights of Columbus Insurance* is doing just fine rated as *one of the top four out of 1,900* hundred companies in North America. We still guarantee our retirement product interest rates; we still sell quality whole life insurance that has paid a dividend every year (including 2009); and we still have never raised premiums on our long-term care products.

So if you are interested in saving money, time and taxes, don't be afraid to call, the Financially Strong Knights of Columbus may have what you are looking for.

Please contact Jim Motz (507-206-6216) to get more information on the programs available to Brother Knights and their families.

Membership Blitz Information:



Knights of Columbus *Follow Me In answering His Call*

April 2, 2009

Dear Members of Harold Gentling Council No 1013,

I first joined 1013. and I'm proud to be a member of council 1013. There is a great legacy of strong leaders and of your council helping those in need through vital activities.

One critical element of keeping a council vibrant is a healthy membership program to ensure a continuity of leadership and plenty of hands to carry out the vision of Fr. McGivney. In working with Grand Knight Steve Freese, a membership Drive has been scheduled for the weekend of

**May 3rd at St. Johns parish
after 9:30AM mass**

We will be serving donuts & coffee plus having potential new members sign up to join our council.

Your assistance in the Drive is absolutely critical. There will be a flyer in the bulletin the weekend of prior. Plus father has allowed us a short 3 min talk after mass. Talk it up to your friends. Please come to Mass 15 minutes early on May 3 and look for the officers at the back of Church. You will be needed after Mass for a few minutes to assist with the Drive. If you have not been to a meeting in a while, come and get reacquainted on May 11, where we will have a 1st degree.

Never underestimate the impact of your achievements and influence on people, especially the youth at St Johns. Be proud not just because we are Knight's, but more importantly by what made us Knights: hard work, determination, loyalty, discipline, and teamwork. We live in challenging times but God provides us with the grace to do his will; to preach the gospel, to serve the Church, and to grow in holiness. Together we will continue to bring families to Christ.

See you soon.

Fraternally yours;
Rea Schmid, Asst Membership Dir

Steve Freeze
Grand Knight

 **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** 
3rd DEGREE MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order: 7:03 PM **Date:** Monday, March 9th, 2009

Roll Call:

Grand Knight – Steve Freese P	Deputy Grand Knight – Mark Zangs P
Chancellor – Deacon Jerry Freetly A	Financial Secretary – Brian Bell P
Treasurer – Tim Geisler A	Recorder – Brian Willaert P
Warden – Rea Schmid P	Advocate – Chris Nelson A
Inside Guard – John Robinson P	Outside Guard – Mike Kleinschmidt P
Chaplain – Father Lasuba P	Trustee – Rich Siglow A
Trustee – Mark Stadtherr A	District Deputy – Jeff Bagniewski P

Membership:

Transfer application – A transfer application was given to 1st degree attendee of our last fish dinner for transfer into Council 1013.

Treasurer's Report: Expenses for the month included St John's rent and a funeral memorial. The current balance is approx \$3100.00. Report was approved and seconded.

Financial Secretaries Report: Receipts for February: \$245.00

Contributions: Pennies for Seminarians: \$236.00 Jim Campbell Fund: \$61.00

Student Loan Fund: \$81.00 Unspecified: \$30.00 Report was approved and seconded.

Discussion on "Pennies for Seminarians" collections after masses, possibly on same Sundays we serve donuts, brought up by Mark Zangs. Mark will bring up the topic with Father Mahon.

Fish Dinner Promotion:

Discussion was held on how we are advertising, including to those who attend Stations of the Cross, Mayo guests, etc.

District Deputy Report:

- District Free Throw Championship went well. Regional will be held on March 15th at Lourdes at 1:00.

- Next Major Degree will be held on March 22nd at Lourdes, 1st at 9:00, 2nd at 11:00.

- Every two months there is a district exec. meeting held with the Grand Knights. This month it will be held at St. Johns on March 25th at 7:00.

Jeff B. will bring up the RochesterFest Parade marshalling to the district Grand Knights meeting to get feedback.

Free Throw Championship:

Our four attendees finished 2nd or 3rd in the district competition.

Fish Dinner:

1st dinner had approx 120 attendees. Proceeds \$854.00

2nd Dinner: 188 attendees. Proceeds: \$1216.00

Advertising has been increased. Entertainment added. Mark Zangs was on the radio mentioning our “Fish Bake”, proceeds, entertainment, etc. The dinners have been going well. Extra help may be needed this week. Our helper group this week is St. Johns Faith Formation. Next week is “Family Week”. Macaroni and Cheese will be added to the menu. Ads have been put in “The Shopper”. Set up 15 tables for 120 person capacity. Possibly add more tables. We may need to purchase more silverware. We have posted PSA to radio stations, TV stations, and web sites. Other councils have been given notices, other parishes given notice to put in bulletins. Lourdes Fish Dinner at International Event Center is this Friday to supply competition. We will send a thank you to Father Mahon for announcements made for the dinner. Thanks to all helpers.

Council Website: (www.kofc1013.org)

-Add Fish Dinner article on homepage.

-Join Us Page: Set up Membership@kofc1013.org to gather emails for joining.

-Contact page: List contacts for Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, and Financial Secretary

- Add photo album

Update on Family requesting help coming to Mayo:

We were contacted requesting help for a fellow Knight needing to come to Mayo for medical care. They are taking a train from North Dakota and are being assisted with transportation.

Membership:

Rea Schmid and Mike Kleinschmidt met to discuss membership drive. We plan to set up 3 minute talk after 9:30 mass on April 3rd, and have as many Knights there as possible at the back of church to answer questions and serve donuts. Include message in bulletin. We will try to concentrate our resources on one event at the 9:30 mass on April 3rd. A degree is being planned for early May for possible new members. The degree will possibly be held at St. Johns.

Phone Call Membership List:

Steve F. has created a list of names from our membership directory for individual calls to non-active members to make contact. Need to set up list of questions to ask – transcript of discussion. We will work on questions at next Officer’s meeting.

Donor Advised Fund:

Meeting held on March 4th. There was a unanimous vote was for \$10,000 to the Lourdes Scholarship Foundation. Next step is publicizing the donation, with photo and article to send to Courier, Columbia, and Knightly News. Work with Lourdes publicist.

Donut Fund Donation:

Motion was made to donate \$200 to help with St. John’s Donut debt. Announcements have been made that there is a large deficit for the Sunday donuts. Amendment was proposed to move the value to \$250. Seconded and approved. The motion was seconded and approved. Check will be presented to Father Mahon.

Prayer List: Chris Nelson’s parents, Paul and Vickie, and the Uncle of Mark Zang’s wife.

Meeting closed with a prayer by Grand Knight at 8:38 pm

Faithfully Submitted by Recorder - Brian Willaert