



Knights of Columbus
St. Bernard Council 8152
Crossville, Tennessee
Thursday, January 14, 2010

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 22	Right to Life Demonstration 3-5 Cumberland County Courthouse
Jan 24	Free throw Contest
Jan 28	Assembly 2162 Meeting
Feb 5-6	Boston Butts Sale
Feb 10	Home Association Meeting
Feb 11	Council Meeting (6:00 PM)
Feb 12	Valentines Dance
Feb 16	Card and Social party
Feb 17	Ash Wednesday
Feb 19	1 st Friday of Lent
Feb 25	Assembly 2162 Meeting

Grand Knight's Report

Reminder: Council Meetings for February and March will begin at 6:00 PM. The praying of the Rosary begins at 5:30 pm. BK Denny Roy made a plaque that now hangs over the doorway to the "Rosary Room". BK Deacon Mark was very pleased with the plaque and the turnout for "Rosary Time". BK Father John blessed the "Rosary Room" prior to the start of our meeting. BK Father John O'Neill, Pastor of St Francis of Assisi, informed the Brothers he would be leaving us effective February 1st. Father John thanked all of use for what we do. Prayers and thanks were offered to Father John for his help to us through his Prayers and his Spirituality. BK Father John Dowling from St John Neumann Parish in Farragut will be replacing Father John. Father John Dowling is also a Past State Chaplain. We have been blessed in our Council to have Father Jim, Father John, Monsignor Thoni, Deacon Mark, and now Father John Dowling. Pray for vocations and pray that we continue have men of faith such as these continue to provide the Spiritual guidance to us that we so need. We have truly been blessed the last several years, because these Holy Men have been with us. There will be a farewell reception from 2-4 PM on Sunday January 24th at St Francis of Assisi for Father John. We are all invited to attend. It is also Monsignor Thoni's 86th Birthday on that day and we will celebrate that also. Father John Dowling will be celebrating the 8:00 AM Mass on Wednesday January 27th at St Francis. Please try to attend morning Mass to give "new" Father John a warm welcome and wear your name badge.

Service Committees Reports and Activities: Worthy Deputy Grand Knight Walt Peterson

Membership: BK Larry Davis PGK and FDD

I would like to welcome a new member to our Council, BK Brian Tierney. Welcome BK Brian and thank you for joining our Community. We had 5 new members of our Council take their 1st Degree in Sparta on January 6th, Bill McShane, Ernest Retzer, William Greisheimer, Bobby Garay, and Ronald Boday. We are very happy to have you join the order and our Council. Sponsors, please keep them involved in the works of the Council. BK Joe Simmons received the VIP Award from Supreme. The award was presented because BK Joe has recruited 2 new members to the Order. Who is the next VIP Honoree, is it you? We need new members if we are to continue doing the work we do.

Retention Committee: Worthy Chancellor Bob Diller

FS BK Tom Dega informed us that he had mailed out 42 second notices to members who had not paid their 2010 dues. These reminders are costly to the Council, please renew your membership as soon as possible.

Church Activities: BK Charlie Baumbusch PGK and BK Denny Roy

Brother Knight's will be leading the Stations of the Cross at both Parishes during the Lenten season. Brother Knights and their families will be proving "Meatless" soup suppers following the Stations of the Cross. Remember, Lent starts Ash Wednesday, February 17th. BK Charlie and BK Denny are also working on scheduling Easter Activities and Memorial Masses. A Knight must receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and receive Communion during the Easter Season. BK Denny is trying to get a group of Knights to take the job of setting up and taking down the Hall at

St. Alphonsus before and after Masses, Funerals and other occasions. No one raised their hand, this is work that Knights should be doing as the "Right Hand" of their Parish priest.

Charity Activities: BK Mike Wilkiel

The MR Drive is wrapping up and BK Bob Diller and his Co-Chairmen reported over \$19,000 were collected between grants and storefront collections. The Golf Tournament date is scheduled. The tournament is scheduled for June 16th at Bear Trace. Big Boy's has also been lined up to cater the meal for the after tournament activities. BK Mike and tournament Co-Chair BK Rollie Wicker are looking to for volunteers for the tournament and also for 2 Brother Knights to step forward and take over for next year. After approval by the Trustees \$499.00 from the charity fund and \$25.50 from the 50/50 were sent to Supreme for the Haitian Earthquake Relief Fund.

Community: Worthy Recorder Pat Daley

The Hill Toppers Christmas Party was a huge success. Santa made his customary arrival and a good time was had by all. BK Jerry Smith did his normal excellent job of gathering "Pizza" donations from various local businesses and the CCW ladies gathered many stuffed animals that were presented by Santa, to the Hill Topper Clients. The Council was presented with the "Inaugural Bridge Builders Award" by the manager of Hill Toppers. The award recognizes the 25 continues years of support by the Knights of Columbus.

Council Activities: BK Walt Fry PGK and PFN

BK Walt Fry was named Knight of the Month for December. BK Walt is Captain of 3 degree teams, was the driving force in the formation of Assembly 2162, was a founding member of Assembly 2162, is Co-Chairman of the "steak fry's", works on Oktoberfest, is past Chairman of the annual Free Throw Contest, and I could go on, but will end with BK is a true friend and is always there for the Knights. BK Mike Wilkiel and his wife JoAnne are named Family of the Month for December. BK Mike and JoAnne are both members of their Parish Council, both are Eucharistic Ministers, BK Mike is an Alter Server for weekday Masses, is a founding Board Member of the Peavine Care Center, JoAnne is Chairwoman of the Prayer Blanket Committee, BK Mike is Co-Chairman of the Golf Tournament Committee and both work at and support our Council activities. BK Richard Bernabei was presented with his Honorary Membership Card and BK Ron Alt was presented with his Honorary Life Membership Card. The ceremony was conducted during our Council meeting. Congratulations to both on achieving this milestone and thank you for your past and continuing contributions. It was decided at the January Council meeting to raise the donation at the door prior to meetings from \$1.00 to \$2.00. The extra \$1.00 will be used to help offset the rising cost of the after meeting meal. The other \$1.00 will be used as before in the 50/50

Family Life: BK Mike Navarro PGK and PFN

There will be a Pro-Life Rally held in front of the Cumberland County Courthouse on Friday January 22nd from 3-5 PM. January 22nd is the anniversary date of Roe Vs Wade. All BK's and family members should make an effort to attend this rally. Please wear something to show you are a Knight of Columbus. If you cannot attend, please make a special effort to pray for the life of the unborn and for the respect for life. This past week Knights set up two Respect Life Displays in front of St Francis of Assisi Church. The displays contain a banner with a picture of our Blessed Mother and a modern mother and child with the words "Gospel of Life" and "Knights of Columbus". There are also 12 white Crosses on the ground in front of each banner. The displays make a profound statement.

Youth: BK Rich Soenen

BK Rich and his Brother Knights have been busy. The Local and Regional Free Throw competition is Sunday January 24th at 1:00 PM. BK's have been attending the Saturday recreation games at the Center passing out applications. They have passed out over 75 applications to date. Hopefully we will have a great turnout. If you have signed up to work, you need to be at the Center by 12:30 PM. BK Rich has been very busy leading the effort to start a "Junior Achievement Program" in Cumberland County. Last Friday a number of us along with Public Officials, a School Administrator and several Teachers visited and up and running program in Clinton TN. The volunteerism is vital to the programs success. Our role will be as "Classroom Volunteers", presenting the materials in the classroom. Please, if you have an urge to help, do contact BK Rich. The time commitment is a total 8-10 hours over a 3 month period during the months of March-May. You can do this, Spouses are also welcome, please help.

Vocations: Worthy Chancellor Bob Diller

Seminarian Doug Owens visited St Alphonsus during the Christmas Season. We continue support Doug as he continues his journey towards Ordination to the Priesthood. Doug sent us a Thank You Card and His prayers.

Insurance Agent: BK Henry “Hank” McCormick

BK Hank gave an overview of the Knights insurance programs. BK Hank will be calling on all members of the Council in the next 45 days. He has committed to making us “Star Council” for insurance. The Orders Insurance Programs have the highest financial ratings given. There are only 3 companies to achieve this and the Knights of Columbus Insurance program is one of them. Please give BK Hank your time, he works on our behalf. The profits from the Insurance arm of the Order fund our operating expenses and charities. Without this program we could not do what we do. Father McGivney’s vision was to protect families. Insurance and savings are two of the ways to do this. Please give BK Hank the time to look at what you have and how he might be able to help.

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Assembly 2162 Activities – The Assembly is planning a Boston Butts Sale February 5th and 6th. This is “Super Bowl” weekend and these Butts would be great to serve at your party! Contact BK Dick Rideout 931-787-8607 by January 28th to place your order. You can pick up your Boston Butt on Saturday February 6th from 9:00 AM to Noon at the Hall

District Deputy Report

Our Worthy District Deputy Ed Mayo spoke of the goal set by our State Deputy Mike Porter. We must grow our Council by 7% or a net 15 new members. Year to Date we have 6 new members. We need to recruit new members.

Prayer Requests

BK Deacon Mark Fredrick

BK Joe Simmons

BK John Price

BK Dan Maxwell

BK Stan Kaminski

BK Eric Beuchel

BK Bill Spangenberger

BK Jim Easley

BK Dick Newton

BK Richard Bernabei

BK John Boski

BK Don Gundy

BK Jerry Smith

BK Joe Aiello’s son, Gary

BK John Marvin and his wife, Rita

BK Walt Fry and his wife, Mary Ellen

BK Medard Kaluszka and his wife, Laura

BK Art Krogman’s wife, Georgene

BK Doug Nawrocki’s wife, Chris

BK Joe Rummel’s wife, Carol

BK Larry Davis’ wife, Helen

BK Jerry Wyatt’s wife, Charlene

BK Lou Larker and his wife, Julia

BK Ralph Mitter’s wife, Mary

BK Vern Bollish’s wife, Jean

BK Ron Alt’s wife, Sharon

BK Gene Belvo’s son, Jeff

BK Derek Graham and his Family

BK Ken Bailey’s wife, Rosemary

May God’s peace, healing and comfort, be with all of them and their families. Please include them and all our Brother Knights and their families who are suffering, ill, or in need in your prayers. Please, if you know of a Brother Knight or family member who should be included in our prayer list, call or e-mail me fmljdl@frontiernet.net and they will be included.

Contact Information Members are asked to notify the Financial Secretary, Tom Dega, with any changes to their contact information; i.e. address, telephone number, and/or e-mail address. You may contact BK Tom by telephone at 931-484-9177 or e-mail finsec8152@yahoo.com

Vivat Jesus

Fred Laufenberg Grand Knight

