

# COUNCIL 10834 Monthly Newsletter January 2007

## **Meetings and Events:**

- Every Thursday, 9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m., Hour of Prayer
- **Greenway Auction:** Donations of gardening tools are requested prior to March 2007
- Christmas Caroling, Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:30 p.m., Colonial Manor / Beverly Healthcare
- Rosary and Corporate Communion, 7:30 a.m., Sunday, January 7, 20067
- Regular Meeting, Wednesday, January 10, 2007, at 7:30 p.m.
- Council Free Throw Contest, January 14, 2007, at Lansing Activity Center, 1:00 3:00 p.m.
- March for Life, January 24, 2007 at Topeka, Kansas
- Tools are Needed for the Greenway Auction.

Knight of the Month
Dennis Huffman
Family of the Month
Carlos Usera Family

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### Membership:

- 9 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Ceremonies:
  - The council held a 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Ceremony on December 13<sup>th</sup>. The below knights were admitted to the council as members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree:
    - David R. Gaumer Jr.
    - John (Chip) Bircher
    - Thomas M. Nelson
    - Gordan Mein
    - Thaddeus Brustowicz
    - Nils Erickson
- 9 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Ceremonies:
  - o February 11, 2007at Atchison
  - o April 14, 2007 at Leavenworth
- 9 4th Degree Ceremonies:
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Christmas Party is December 15.
- 9 The council approved the admission of John Twohig as a reinstatement from another council.
- The council approved the admission of the below candidates:
  - o David R. Gaumer
  - o John (Chip) Bircher

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Thomas Nelson

### **Council Meeting Highlights:**

Meeting conducted by Grand Knight on December 14, 2006

9 <u>Capital Campaign Pledge:</u> Anyone wishing to donate to the church project can send their donations to:

Saint Francis De Sales Attn: Building Fund 900 Ida Street Lansing, KS 66043

- 9 <u>Christmas Party / Bunko:</u> The council will host the annual Christmas Party / Bunko on December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. All knights are encouraged to bring a dish/snack to share and each attendee bring a gift for exchange worth under \$10
- 9 **Thank You Letter:** The Grand Knight read a thank you letter from Seminarian Shawn Tunink who is on a trip to the Holy Land.

#### 9 District Deputy Report:

- There will be a mass for the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Financial Secretary, and Membership Director and their spouses on January 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. The mass will be followed by a dinner at a restaurant with other councils' officers and wives.
- o Councils are encouraged to schedule masses to honor their parish priests and Father McGivney.
- o The district has a membership goal of 19.
- o Annual reports for the 2004-05 and 2005-06 business years need to be completed.
- The state of Kansas is considering a stem cell initiative. All knights are asked to monitor this initiative to become aware of its implication with regards to embryonic research.
- 9 <u>Tootsie Roll Funds Distribution:</u> The council received a check for the Special Needs Advocacy Program and a check for Special Olympics.
- § Salvation Army Bell Ringing: Volunteers are needed to help in the Salvation Army Bell Ringing season.
- Alliance Against Family Violence: Sister Jane Albert requested assistance for a family in need of money to purchase registration, insurance and tires for a van. The council approved \$500 to donate to the cause. A collection of the members in attendance yielded \$250 donation. Sister Jane Albert offered four books of the late Pope John Paul II and received \$160 donations from individual knights. The council is willing to consider additional assistance in January's meeting if necessary.
- 9 <u>Tasting Fair:</u> Volunteers are needed for someone to lead the event next year. Brother Bill Butler plans to manage the raffle for the event.
- Mardi Gras Dinner: The council approved a donation of \$317 to purchase one night of lodging with four water park tickets for the Annual Mardi Gras dinner. The Great Wolf Lodge will provide a free second night for winners of this prize.
- 9 Thanksgiving Food Baskets: The council approved the full reimbursement to Brother VanDerHoff of \$223.74 for the purchase of food for the Thanksgiving Food Baskets.

# **January Birthdays**

John A. Tytla	1	Gregory Burke	3
David Sargent	5	Peter Im	8
Anthony Reagan	17	Francis Thorne	20
Steven Nannen	25	Matthew Nowak	29
Kevin Whitlach	29	Thomas Nelson	30

9 For the Good of the Order: Remember knights who are currently ill or recovering from an illness.

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