



Knights of Columbus

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SAINT CLEMENT OF ROME
COUNCIL #7018
(CHARTERED 1977)
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Pray the Rosary
for Peace

November/December 2010

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COUNCIL #7018 MONTHLY MEETINGS @ 7:00/PM, ON THE 3rd Thursday of each month

Food & Refreshments are always served afterwards.

Come in and get to know your fellow brother Knights!

OFFICERS MEETINGS: All officers meetings are at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month!

Hello Brothers,

It has been a very busy fall for our council. I want to thank all who participated in various activities such as the Peach Festival, Texas Hold Em, Right to Life Activities, Family Picnic, Country Breakfast, Harvest Food Program, Rosaries, Agape Center, Church Activities, etc. We truly are an active and successful council.

The next few months, we continue our work of Unity, Charity, Fraternity and Patriotism. Please attend a mass for our deceased brothers on November 3rd @ 7:00 p.m. PGK Jim Burns and Father Doc have created a special celebration for our members and their families. This year, we will be participating in the Romeo Christmas Parade. Also, please mark Saturday, December 11th on your calendar which is our Holiday/Ladies Appreciation Night to be held at the Capital Banquet Center. You will be receiving an invitation in the mail in the near future. DGK Jim Smiszek will be chairing the Christmas Card Program. We have several new items this year so stop by and check them out after the masses. Plus many more activities.

Most important, if you haven't been to a meeting in several months, please consider calling a fellow brother and joining us. The Fraternity and Unity that we share is outstanding.

Blessed is the influence of one, true, loving human soul on another---George Eliot

With the Holiday Season quickly approaching, I wish you and your family a very Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas.

Grand Knight
Mitch Lenczewski

Calendar of Events

- October 29-31 – Tillson Parking Lot Duty – All proceeds go to vocations
- November 3, 7:00 pm – Memorial Mass at St. Clement of Rome
- November 3-5 – 4th degree Texas Holdem at Snooker's on Hall Road
- November 7 – Country Breakfast after all Sunday Masses
- December 2 – Romeo Christmas Parade
- December 5-8 – 3rd degree Texas Holdem at Snooker's on Hall Road
- December 11 – Council Christmas Party at the Capital Banquet Center – more information coming in the mail
- December 16 – 1st Degree at St. Clement of Rome after the General Meeting which will **begin at 6:30 pm.**

Congratulations Knights of the Month!

July – Don Smith

August – Tom Petruzzello

September – Don Campbell

Also, congratulations to the Council for achieving the 2009-2010 Membership/Insurance Award and John Cassidy for earning a second VIP club award.

Thank you Brothers!!!

Thanks to all the Brother Knights who helped at the previous Country Breakfast and Texas Holdem. Also, thank you to those who volunteered during the Chain of Life on October 3rd and helped put up crosses on the Church grounds on October 9th. Many hands make light work!

We Need Volunteers!!!



We will be working the parking lot Fri-Sat-Sun, Oct 29-31 for the Tillson visitors. We will start at approximately 6:30pm and end at about 10:00 pm. All proceeds will go to the vocations fund.

We also could use help at our Country Breakfast on November 7th. Please consider working for a couple of hours at this event. This is another activity where we always need clean up help after noon. Don't forget, we will be setting our clocks back the night before. Remind your friends and families of the excellent food and large variety of items on the menu.

Brothers, we will be needing bankers for our next **Texas Holdems** November 3-5 and Decmeber 5-8. These events are some of our most profitable activities. Please consider donating a few hours of your time and volunteer for a shift.

We will have a float in the Romeo Christmas Parade on Thursday, December 2nd. We would like some Knights to help decorate the float with lights and a manger or help during the parade.

If you would like to help with the float, please call Jim Szewczyk 752-5210.



Every Tuesday, a "Forgotten Harvest" truck arrives at St. Clement with fresh produce, frozen meats and food staples for the Agape Center. This is a weekly obligation and we could use any help you are willing to give. The activity usually takes about an hour and a half or two to get the truck unloaded and sorted in the center. We meet about 12:30 PM each Tuesday and wait for the truck. Also, Sr. Val needs help on Wednesdays and Nancy Kaspari would like some help delivering food to home bound people.



We will be helping the Mary Ann Merritt from the Women's Marine Association prepare packages for Afghanistan on November 12 at the Masonic Temple and also donating to "Wreaths Across America" to honor our veterans. Call Jim Burns at 752-1115 if you are interested.

If you would like to volunteer for one of these activities, please call GK Mitch Lenczewski 752-3381, DGK Jim Smiszek 752-2856, or PGK Tony Nardozi 524-0904 or any Council Officer. It's a lot of fun and you will get to know your Brother Knights better!



Brothers, please bring gifts for Holy Cross Children's Services to the next Council meeting at St. Clements on November 18. Sweatshirts should be hoodies size XL, XXL or XXXL with a sports team or college logo – please no black sweatshirts. They should be wrapped in a box and labeled. Also, girls would like bath baskets filled with different items – Our Grand Knight Mitch has the list. If anyone is interested in going to the Prep Bowl at Ford Field, let Mitch know.

PRAYERS FOR OUR BROTHER'S AND THEIR FAMILIES AND OUR FRIENDS

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SPEEDY RECOVERY OF OUR COUNCIL BROTHERS AND FAMILY OF OUR BROTHERS WHO ARE ILL OR RECOVERING FROM ILLNESS OR SURGERY, ESPECIALLY, Prayers for the sick: Paul Abromitis' father, Larry Foltran's 2nd cousin, Jim Kelly, Dawn Hribar, Jim Burns' sister Jackie, the Daen Devonce family, Dawn Kilanowski, family of Clarence Van Den Brooke, John Horvath – Jim Smiszek's step brother, Dale Jenuwine's son, Dave Kaiser, Dan Russell, the Stec family (Chris Bissil – cousin of Judy Stec), Larry Rinke, Dick Agusti, Mitch Jabczenski, Tom Muller, Gordon McBride, Lauren DiNio – grand daughter of Dick Podolski, Keven Sands' father, PGK Dale Matz, Howard Weiler, Matt Mets, and Brother Francis Boulen.

News from our Knight of Columbus Benefits Representative – Jim Parker

Retirement income you can't outlive

People are living longer today than in any other time in history. While this is certainly a good problem to have, it creates a new worry for those facing retirement: what if I outlive my savings? How does a retirement income that you cannot outlive sound to you?

This sounds pretty good to most members and this can be true if you open a Knights of Columbus annuity, which is designed to provide guaranteed long-term security. As a knight, you can open a retirement annuity for as little as \$300. Consistent and disciplined savings placed into this annuity over time can guarantee you an income at retirement that you cannot outlive. Couple that guarantee with the fact that no one has ever lost money put in a Knights of Columbus annuity (remember, absolute safety of principal) and you will have peace of mind.

Don't forget contributing money an annuity will allow you to save some money on your income tax return. And our annuities offer a very competitive interest rate, consistent with our primary goal of absolute safety of principal. These benefits are similar to those of an IRA or similar product, but ours is backed by the strength and financial stability of the Knights of Columbus.

At your convenience, I will happily to meet with you to explain in detail the benefits of selecting our annuity, along with the benefits of our top-rated life insurance and long term care insurance plans.

As you consider options as you proceed toward retirement, think about one thing guaranteed to help you and open a Knights of Columbus annuity.

I'm at 1-877-873-6549 or james.parker@kofc.org. Call me -let's talk

Brothers, if you have a computer and would like to receive your newsletter faster and save paper and ink, please send me your email address!!! Also, let me know if you have any articles or topics you would like me to include in the newsletter. Reminder: Golf Shirts are available at FAMS on 32 mile road – they have our emblem on file, so you just need to mention our Council name.

Brothers want to know how to get a new member? Just ask him! We have a tough goal this year – 12 members!

Check out the Knights of Columbus websites – www.kofc.org and www.mikofc.org