

KNIGHTLY NEWS



Knights of Columbus - Archbishop Thomas A. Donnellan Council 7923

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April 2010

Grand Knight's Report

Steve Brischler

Grand Knight

Brother Knights:

I want to start off by saying what a fantastic Fish Fry season we had this year as measured by profit, customer satisfaction and the fun our fellow Brothers had while raising money for our respective charities. Even with our perfect storm of too many customers coming in at once during week two, we were able to get back on track and deliver excellent hot food. A big thank you to all that worked the event, brought deserts and of course to our section leads (Kitchen, Clean-up, Set-up, Bar, Servers/Bussing, etc.). PGK Mike Clark once again organized the event this year and under his direction we had a record profit of \$8,698.39. Job well done and when you see Mike thank him for the many hours spent organizing our annual Fish Fry.

Our St. Patty's Day party this year was a boon as well, chaired by our Irish ambassador and a great Catholic gentleman Mickey Finnegan. This was Mickey's first opportunity to chair an event and we wish to thank him for re-establishing this great event. The entertainment provided and organized by PGK Kevin Lewis's wife Ann was an added bonus and created a festive atmosphere. The event made a profit of \$1,412.62 of which \$1,000 went to the Hall's capital expenses and the balance went to the Council's coffers. I would also like to clear up any confusion about whether this was a Hall event versus a Knights event and what the difference is. It was decided by the Officers during the February meeting and mentioned again during the Business Meeting that, since we didn't budget for a St. Patty's Day event, we would direct the profits to our Council home. This money goes directly to the bottom line, which means it is applied directly to our bills, such as the utilities and mortgage. Our normal monthly dinners, worked by the Council members, are commonly referred to as a Knight's events with 100% of the profits going to the Council. Hall events are customarily run by our management team with occasional assistance from Council. Profits from Hall events are recorded and kept on the Hall's balance sheet.

This month the Council will be out in force at St. John Neumann attending as a group the morning Masses (8, 9:30 and 11:00). After the Masses, a table will be set-up in the Narthex answering questions about the Knights of Columbus and looking to recruit additional Catholic Gentlemen wishing to share their talents and time with our Council. We welcome new Brothers with open

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arms to help extend the good works this Council does in the community. If you know of a fellow practical Catholic man 18 years of age or older, please introduce them to what the Knights do and how they can help make a difference. For the Council to remain vibrant and productive we must continue to grow with new members.

Vivat Jesus!

Steve Brischler

Golf Tournament

For the first time in years we are having a golf tournament devoting the finances to Charity. We intend to split the proceeds between the Parish of St. John Neumann and the Missionaries of the Poor who have a presence in Haiti. I ask all Brother Knights to please take a copy of the sponsorship letter to your employer and request a donation. The success of our tournament will depend on our sponsorships.

Business Meeting

Highlights from last month's Business Meeting include:

Deputy Grand Knight's Report

- DGK Jim McHugh reported:
 - o Need greeters for SJN church office, see DGK Jim McHugh or check the schedule online. (7:45am – 10:00am and 10:00am – 12:15pm)
 - o BK Steve Drzik reported 145 breakfasts served and made ~\$500. Trained a new omlette cooker.
 - o PGK Mike Clark reported sales at the fish fry events have been steady and are over last year's amount. Children's dinners are down 60%, so if anyone has a suggestion, please see PGK Mike. Parking is still a premium, so anyone

working, please park in adjoining lots. In addition, PGK Mike Clark is looking for someone to head up next year's fish fry events. If interested, please see DGK Jim McHugh or PGK Mike Clark.

- o St. Patrick's Day Party will be chaired by BK Mickey Finnegan. Entertainment is lined up but need people to help with serving, kitchen and clean-up.
- o May 20th dinner, Mike Stafferi to chair this event.
- o PGK Mike Clark spoke of this coming year's golf tournament and is working on the details for this event coming up April 25th at Country Club of Gwinnett. Sponsorship brochure is in the newsletter and will start recruiting golfers.

Unfinished Business

- o DGK Jim McHugh is researching the signal bell and BK John Gombala is researching a plaque for PGK Joe Stretch and will have a design by March 15th.

New Business

- o State Meeting will be in Augusta in May. Council has 2 delegates and 2 alternates. Nominees were made and voted approved as:
 - o GK Steve Brischler – GK delegate
 - o PGK Tom Marasco – PGK delegate
 - o DGK Jim McHugh – alternate for GK
 - o BK Ralph Oshinski – alternate for PGK

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 If you have received this newsletter by U S Mail and you have a computer, please send an email to tmarasco@bellsouth.net so we can start sending you the newsletter via email and thus reduce our printing and postage costs.

DO YOU HAVE AN INTERESTING PICTURE?
 –Please contact Todd Eaton at 770-381-9836 or todd.eaton@comcast.net

HALL RENTALS – Hold your next birthday bash, company event, or reception at Killian Hall. Call Kevin Lewis at 770-921-9966.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| Date | Event | Location/Time |
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| Apr 4 th | <u>Easter Brunch</u> | <u>Killian Hall, 10:00am-2:00pm</u> Public Welcome |
| Apr 5 th | Officer Meeting | Killian Hall, 7:30pm |
| Apr 11 th | <u>Sunday Family Breakfast</u> | <u>Breakfast Killian Hall, 9:00am - 12:30pm</u> Public Welcome |
| Apr 12 th | Business Meeting | Killian Hall - 8:00pm (Rosary at 7:30pm) |
| Apr 15 th | <u>Kill the Pork Dinner</u> | <u>Killian Hall 5:00 - 8:00pm</u> Public Welcome |
| Apr 18 th | Knight's Mass | SJN Catholic Church 8am, 9:30am, 11:00am |
| Apr 19 th | GKC Meeting | Killian Hall, 7:30pm |
| Apr 25 th | <u>KofC - SJN Golf Tournament</u> | <u>CC of Gwinnett 11:00am registration</u> Public Invited |
| Apr 26 th | Social Meeting 1st Degree | 1st Degree Killian Hall, Candidates 7:00 Degree starts 7:30 |
| May 2 nd | <u>Sunday Family Breakfast</u> | <u>Breakfast Killian Hall, 9:00am - 12:30pm</u> Public Welcome |
| May 3 rd | Officer Meeting | Killian Hall, 7:30pm |
| May 9 th | Mother's Day Brunch | Killian Hall, 10:00am-2:00pm Public Welcome |
| May 10 th | Business Meeting | Killian Hall - 8:00pm (Rosary at 7:30pm) |
| May 17 th | GKC Meeting | Killian Hall, 7:30pm |

Council Events

Brief notes on upcoming events for Council 7923

Knights of the Month

During last month's Business Meeting, the following Brother Knights and Family were recognized for their contributions to Council 7923.

- (BK Jeff) Hariston as Family of the Month
 - BK Jeff and wife Bridget do a great job serving at the fish fry events.
- BK Michael Stafferi as Knight of the Month
 - BK Mike is doing a great job heading up the kitchen work while dealing with his mother illness.

Joke of the Month

Walking into the bar, Mike said to Charlie the bartender, 'Pour me a stiff one - just had another fight with the little woman.'

'Oh yeah?' said Charlie, 'And how did this one end?'

'When it was over,' Mike replied, 'She came to me on her hands and knees.'

'Really,' said Charles, 'Now that's a switch! What did she say?'

She said, 'Come out from under the bed, you little chicken.'

Council 7923 Officers

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Msgr. David Talley 770-923-6633

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Steve Brischler..... 770-978-6422

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Jim McHugh..... 770-921-5814

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Ray Tremblay..... 770-985-3417

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Todd Eaton..... 770-381-9836

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Brad Burnett..... 770-736-0806

3rd Year Trustee

Jim Carroll..... 770-972-6670

Insurance Field Agent

Michael Sorsdahl..... 770-982-2159



Happy Birthday Knights

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|-----------------------|------|
| David Brennen | 4/4 |
| Carl V. Matricardi | 4/5 |
| Steve Brischler | 4/5 |
| Thomas M. Hipp | 4/6 |
| Gary J. Jira | 4/10 |
| James Clifton Tillery | 4/12 |
| Warren J. Thomas, Jr | 4/14 |
| Jeff Hairston | 4/15 |
| J. Bruce Rago | 4/16 |
| Roger Moonen | 4/17 |
| Lowell Umbarger | 4/19 |
| Marion A. Rabalis | 4/21 |
| Gregory Polakowski | 4/22 |
| Francis T. O'Toole | 4/23 |
| Weston Mueller | 4/26 |
| Frank Swider | 4/28 |

Picture of the Month



BK Mickey Finnegan serving customers at St. Paddy's Day Dinner

If you have a picture of a Knight in Action for the newsletter, please send it to todd.eaton@comcast.net

Come One, Come All!
To The Family Breakfast
At Killian Hall!

★ **Date Change For April** ★
Sunday, April 11, 2010

9:00am - 12:30pm

*Serving: Pancakes, Egg Soufflé, Scrambled Eggs,
Bacon, Biscuits, Gravy, Cheese Grits,
Coffee, Hot Tea, & Orange Juice*

A custom omelet is available for an additional \$2.00

Breakfast

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| Adults | \$ 6.50 |
| Children Under 12 | \$ 3.00 |
| Family | \$15.00 |
| <i>Two Parents & All Children Under 12</i> | |
| Custom Omelet <i>An Additional</i> | \$ 2.00 |



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January 25, 2010

Dear Sponsor

The new year brings new optimism and a new focus on our efforts to improve our Faith, Family, and Human Relations. In our efforts to provide improvements we will be holding a Golf Tournament at Country Club of Gwinnett on Sunday April 25, 2010. We need your financial help to achieve our objectives. Our objective is to provide financial assistance to St. John Neumann Parish Lilburn Georgia and to provide much needed revenues for the Missionaries of the Poor in Haiti.

First let me tell you about the Knights of Columbus. The Knight was formed to render financial aid to members and their families. Mutual aid and assistance are offered to sick, disabled and needy members and their families. Social and intellectual fellowship is promoted among members and their families through educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and public relief works. Founded in 1882, the Knights of Columbus has grown from a few members at St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Ct to over 1.7 million members throughout the United States, Canada, the Philippines, Mexico, Poland, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Panama, the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands, Cuba, Guatemala, Guam and Saipan.



Missionaries of the Poor:

Since their founding in Jamaica in 1981, the Missionaries of the Poor have established nine missions around the world. They now serve the Lord among the poorest of the poor in Jamaica, Africa, Haiti, India, the Philippines and the United States.



St. John Neumann Parish:

St. John Neumann Parish services over 2,000 families in the Lilburn area. In addition to Church activities, SJN has a pre-school and supports a grade school next door serving children through 5th grade. SJN is in the process of building a new Church to accommodate its growing membership. With the recent flooding SJN has experienced time delays and financial losses and is in need financial assistance.

Sponsorships needed:

Platinum Sponsorship: \$500 sponsors a hole with program advertising & signs for both Tee box and green. _____

Platinum sponsorship includes 4-some _____

Gold Sponsorship: \$250 sponsors a Tee Box or Green with program advertising & sign on tee box or green _____

Gold sponsorship includes 2-some _____

Silver Sponsorship: Cash Donation: Provides acknowledgement in our program as a sponsor _____

Merchant Sponsorship: Provide Services or merchandise for prizes valued at _____

I want to thank you in advance for your support. *Fred Olsen, Chairman (770) 978-8568*



Join us for Roast Pork, Green Beans
Mashed Potatoes, and Gravy.

Steve and Bill's famous Salad Extravaganza.

Desserts too and please, have a drink at the cash bar.

Thursday, April 15th

Killian Hall 5:00 until 8:00

Adult Dinner \$8.50

Children's Dinner \$5.00

Presented by the Knights of Columbus
Council 7923 and Killian Hall.
*Join and help us serve
our community.*



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Business Meeting Sponsor of the Month

One of PGK Brad Burnett's initiatives was to have a local business sponsor the monthly business meeting. The sponsor donates money to the council and has the opportunity to tell the members about their business. Because of this sponsorship, the council will provide free drinks and snacks after the meeting.

The March business meeting was sponsored by Council 7923.



Thank you Council 7923 for your generous sponsorship. If any Brother Knight knows of a Catholic gentleman who would make a good Knight, please consider Council 7923.

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