



Knights News

Saint Joseph "the Worker" Knights of Columbus Council #10921
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Elected Officers of Saint Joseph "the Worker" Council #10921 for 2004-2005

GRAND KNIGHT	John Fitzpatrick
Deputy Grand Knight	Jeffrey Joyce
Chancellor	Mike Buring
Warden	Joseph Spence
Inside Guard	Richard Guth
Outside Guard	Edward Fudal
Financial Secretary	Vince Comfort
Treasurer	James Mueller
Recorder	Joseph McAllister
Lecturer	
Chaplain	Msgr Joseph Dooley
Advocate	Jack Wenner
1 Year Trustee	Lloyd Trego
2 Year Trustee	Robert Partel
3 Year Trustee	John Cavalli
DISTRICT DEPUTY	Ed Nickles
INSURANCE AGENT	Dennis Matthews
BE ACTIVE IN YOUR COUNCIL AND SUPPORT YOUR ELECTED OFFICERS	

Membership Dues Now Due

Annual Knights of Columbus Council membership dues are now due. A statement has been sent out to each member. Please save the council money in mailing out reminders and get your dues in promptly.

If you have not received your statement, kindly contact our Financial Secretary, Vince Comfort at vincent.comfort@verizon.net.

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Saint Joseph Council #10921 Activity Directors for 2004-2005

Turkey/Ham Raffle	Joe Spence
Parish Breakfast	Dave Shellhammer
Free Throw Contest	Jeff Joyce
Road Race	Lloyd Trego & Dave Klembara
Nativity	
ARC	Jim Mueller
Vocations	Kevin Maydick
Picnic	John Fitzpatrick

 **Note From The Editor:** Please remember that this is YOUR Newsletter. This is YOUR most effective way of contacting the other members of YOUR Council. If you are involved in a Council activity that requires member support or have a Council event that you would like to see additional member involvement in or any items of interest, please get them into the Newsletter. You can e-mail it to me (Ed Fudal) at EdwardFudal@myREALbox.com, or you can post it on our discussion board by following the links on our web page, or you can call me with the information at 610-285-4015, or Fax it in. This newsletter is published quarterly and in addition to being distributed via the US Mail, it will also be available on our Council Website. If you have access to the internet, you can save the Council valuable money which can be used for other charitable purposes by viewing the newsletter online. Just drop me an email at EdwardFudal@myREALbox.com and tell us not to send you a paper copy of this newsletter because you will read it online at our Council website. ☩

From the Grand Knight



Worthy Brothers,

May your family and you have a blessed and joyous holiday season. We have much to be thankful for; yet, there are many others less fortunate. We must continue to serve and support those in need.

The fall was a busy time period. Our monthly parish breakfasts are in full swing. In October, we held a Council Night, which was very successful. I was pleased to award Brother George Smolick as our Knight of the Year and Brother Kevin Maydick and his family, wife Linda, and children Sean, Ryan, Megan and Neil, as our Family of the Year. Both are fine examples of how a Knight should live his life in service and deed. And once again, Brother Joe Spence ran another successful turkey raffle. We have a new seminarian, Michael Kelly, that we have begun supporting. Equally noteworthy, was our support of a novice, Amy Quartararo.

The winter months are now upon us. We continue to push ahead. The speed and skill that went into the Outdoor Nativity set up, led by Brother Lloyd Trego, rivaled that of an Indy Pit Crew. Meanwhile, Brother Bob Partel has taken the initiative to start the Keeping Christ in Christmas Campaign. The goal of this campaign is to raise funds to complete the Demetz nativity set inside the church. In a very short period of time, Bob has received \$3600 in donations. Along with the \$3000 from our own nativity fund, the parish will indeed have a beautiful indoor nativity set. Please welcome into our council, Michael Nowakowski, who took his First Degree last month.

Looking ahead, Brother Jeff Joyce has been busy preparing for the upcoming Free Throw Contest on January 7, 2005. During our annual picnic last July, Brother Paul Davis raised the idea of a Monday Night Football Party. He has taken that a step further and is now organizing a parish wide Super Bowl Party.

The Knights I have mentioned above demonstrate putting ideas and words into action. There are many such Knights in our council who do likewise. Sometimes, they run into resistance, criticism and apathy. Faced with such obstacles, it would have been easy to just give up and stay home. However, through perseverance and personal involvement, they stayed the course to see the task completed. In the coming year, we will have to work on a new budget, conduct our annual ARC campaign, organize another race and fill in shoes for brothers who have moved away. We will need your continued involvement and support to stay the course.

Respectfully,



John Fitzpatrick
Grand Knight for the Columbine Year 2004-2005
Knights of Columbus Council #10921



2005 Race Committee

2005 Race Committee is forming! Only 6 months to go. To ensure the continued success of our largest fund raiser, we need your support and participation. We especially need help with identifying potential cash sponsors. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please attend one of the upcoming meetings in the Parish Center:

- † December 15
- † January 19
- † February 16

Congratulations to our first Rolling 50-50 winner

Jack Wenner was our first rolling 50-50 pot winner when he drew the Queen of Hearts and collected the 50-50 pot which stood at \$43.

The rolling 50-50 drawing is held at every meeting. Chances are 1 for \$1 and 3 for \$2. If there is no winner, the pot rolls over to the next drawing. Presently the pot stands at around \$50. Come try your luck!

2004 Turkey Raffle Winners

• Ed Johnstone • Carmine DeFalcis • Patricia Johnson • Patricia Johnson • A. Blumetti • William A. Tykra • Dan Vukvy • Bob Csencsit • Robert Partel • Liz Burke • Charles Coyle • Dennis F. Matthews • Debbie McGuire • Kuritzky • Ryan Maydick • Rita Brennick • John Fitzpatrick • Wm J. McCullogh • Guide Family • Mazalewski •

Volunteers Needed!

- † Interested in participating on a First Degree Team? We need a few volunteers to round out our team.
- † Volunteers needed for ARC Campaign - Spring 2005
- † Interested in shaping Council affairs? - Join the Budget Committee - Late Winter 2005

Congratulations!

- † **George Smolick**
Knight of the Year
- † **Maydick family**
Family of the Year

Free Throw Contest

The Knights will be hosting their annual free throw contest on January 7, 2005 in the school gymnasium. Set up begins @ 3:30 PM. The contest will run 4-6 PM. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Jeff Joyce.

12 Days of Christmas

"The Twelve Days of Christmas" was written in England as one of the "catechism songs" to help young Catholics learn the basics of their faith. In short, it was a memory aid. Since the song sounded like rhyming nonsense, young Catholics could sing the song without fear of imprisonment.

"On the first day of Christmas, my true love gave to me..." The "true love" mentioned in the song doesn't refer to an earthly suitor, but it refers to the One who loves all people, God. The "me" who receives the presents refers to every person willing to receive what the Greatest Giver has to offer.

The "partridge in a pear tree" is Jesus Christ, who died on a tree as a gift from God.

The "two turtle doves" are the Old and New Testaments - another gift from God.

The "three French hens" are faith hope and love -- the three gifts of the Spirit that abide.

The "four calling birds" are the four Gospels.

The "five golden rings" are the first five books of the Bible also called the Books of Moses, the Law, the Torah, or the Pentateuch.

The "six geese a-laying" are the six days of creation.

The "seven swans a swimming" are "seven gifts of the Holy Spirit."

The "eight maids a milking" are the eight beatitudes.

The "nine ladies dancing" are nine fruits of the Holy Spirit.

The "ten lords a-leaping" are the Ten Commandments.

The "eleven pipers piping" are the eleven faithful disciples.

The "twelve drummers drumming" are the twelve points of the Apostles' Creed.

'T'was the night before Christmas and all through the town; Not a sign of Baby Jesus was anywhere to be found.

The people were all busy with Christmas time chores; Like decorating, and baking, and shopping in stores.

No one sang "Away in a manger, no crib for a bed". Instead, they sang of Santa dressed-up in bright red.

Mama watched Martha Stewart, Papa drank beer from a tap. As hour upon hour the presents they'd wrap

When what from the T.V. did they suddenly hear? 'Cept an ad.. which told of a big sale at Sears.

So away to the mall they all flew like a flash... Buying things on credit... and others with cash!

And, as they made their way home; From their trip to the mall, Did they think about Jesus? Oh, no... not at all.

Their lives were so busy with their Christmas time things; No time to remember Christ Jesus, the King.

There were presents to wrap and cookies to bake. How could they stop and remember who died for their sake?

To pray to the Savior... they had no time to stop. Because they needed more time to "Shop til they dropped!"

On Wal-mart! On K-mart! On Target! On Penney's! On Hallmark! On Zales! A quick lunch at Denny's

From the big stores downtown to the stores at the mall; They would dash away, dash away, and visit them all!

And up on the roof, there arose such a clatter; As grandpa hung icicle lights up on his brand new step ladder.

He hung lights that would flash. He hung lights that would twirl. Yet, he never once prayed to Jesus... Light of the World.

Christ's eyes... how they twinkle! Christ's Spirit... how merry! Christ's love... how enormous! All our burdens... He'll carry!

So instead of being busy, overworked, and uptight Let's put Christ back in Christmas and enjoy some good nights!

Upcoming Events

- † 12/14 @ 7:30 PM - Regular Business Meeting
- † 12/15 @ 8 PM - Race Meeting : looking for new committee members for 2005. The race is 6 months away, but we need to plan now.
- † 12/17 - Annual Christmas Party : Still have room for 4 more people. Please let Bob Partel know ASAP. Also, if you haven't paid, please do so.
- † 12/18 @ 9 AM - decorate Church Interior
- † 12/19 - Monthly Parish Breakfast
- † **12/28 @ 7:30 PM - Officers Meeting CANCELLED!**
- † 1/7 @ 3:30 PM - Free Throw
- † 1/8 @ 8 AM - disassemble outdoor nativity and interior decorations ... need plenty of help for this
- † 2/6 - SuperBowl Party
- † REGULAR BUSINESS MEETINGS (7:30PM in Council Chambers):
 - December 12, 2004
 - January 11, 2005
 - February 8, 2005
 - March 8, 2005
- † OFFICER MEETINGS (7:30PM in Council Chambers):
 - **December 28, 2004 (CANCELLED)**
 - January 25, 2005
 - February 22, 2005
 - March 29, 2005
- † MONTHLY PARISH BREAKFAST:
 - December 19, 2004
 - January 16, 2005
 - February 20, 2005
 - March 20, 2005

Charitable Contributions for the current Fraternal Year

- † St Joseph the Worker School = \$1,800.
- † Father Chinnappa = \$500
- † Habitat for Humanity = \$500
- † Caring Hearts = \$500
- † Michael Kelly (Seminararian) = \$500
- † Amy Quartararo (Novice) = \$500

Degree Dates

First Degree:

- † Calvary Council #528 Allentown (8:00 PM) - 1/17/05
- † Trinity Council #313 Bethlehem (7:30 PM) - 1/20/05

2nd Degree:

- † Calvary Council #528 (8:00 PM) - 2/15/05
- † St Joseph the Worker #10921 - 4/7/05 if necessary

3rd Degree:

- † Trinity Council #313 (1:00 PM) - 4/17/05



Our Council now has its own Website on the Internet

For the latest up to the minute information on what is happening in our council, please visit us on the World Wide Web at ...

www.KofC10921.org

... Updates will be posted as soon as we become aware of them. We are still looking into having an interactive discussion board where members can talk about topics pertaining to our council, church, community, or whatever else might be on your minds. We ran into delays due to licensing issues.



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-- Title 18 of the United States Code.