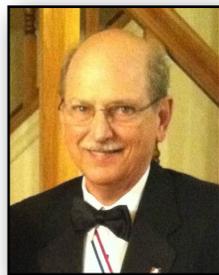




# Knightly News

## Grand Knight's Report

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Jack Nemetz

My original plan for funding my scholarship goal was to hold waffle breakfasts at both St Michael's and St Andrew's parishes. The difficulty in using the St Michael's facilities continues to be an issue. We have been offered the use of the Archangel center for a breakfast but in reviewing the logistics and cost related to that it appears to

be unfeasible at this time. In have several major goals for the place of the St Michael's council this year. The primary breakfast we will hold a 50/50 goals are to raise funds for raffle specifically to support vocation scholarship funds for both the diocese and for the archdiocese of the military service, to do a youth related event, to have a council family oriented event and to investigate the forming of a ladies auxiliary. We are making progress on almost all of them.

Bob Caron has agreed to take on the chair of that activity and is initiating activity on it immediately. For the Youth related event I have spoken to Tristan Evans and he has asked the council to sponsor a Mardi Gras party for middle school students. More info to come on that as plans materialize but it is currently set for Sunday February 10, 2013 at 2 pm. We are also looking to take a more active role in the state free-throw competition. We have a committee formed and planning is underway. Get you kids to start practicing. We have two strong parishes and should be able to field some strong contestants.

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### READ-A-THON

Eleven children participated and read 354 books. The children raised a total of \$747.50 as part of this year's program. The money will be added to Operation LAMB to benefit children with learning disabilities. Thank you to my wife, Peggy, for her invaluable help and to my brother Knights for your support.

- Tom Eifler

### Membership Drive at St Andrews

Our council will be holding a multi-function event at St. Andrew's on December 1-2. We need your help. We will be collecting for LAMB after all Masses on Saturday and Sunday, and will be serving coffee, bagels, and donuts on Sunday after the 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30 Masses. We will also have a table setup with Christmas cards and recruitment information about the Knights of Columbus.

We need 4-5 Knights after all the Masses to collect for LAMB, and 4-5 Knights to help with the coffee, etc. after all the Sunday morning Masses. Wives, children, and significant others are more than welcome to help. Confirmation students and Scouts can get service hours for helping.

If you can help, please contact FS Tony Gemma at [tgemma@bellsouth.net](mailto:tgemma@bellsouth.net).

### FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

"Let nothing disturb thee; Let nothing dismay thee; All things pass; God never changes. Patience attains All that it strives for. He who has God Finds he lacks nothing: God alone suffices."

-- St. Teresa of Avila

**40 Days for Life**

While all aspects of *40 Days for Life* are crucial in our effort to end abortion, the most visible component is the peaceful prayer vigil outside of a local abortion facility. For the Fall Vigil we will pray outside of "A Woman's Choice of Raleigh", 3305 Drake Circle, Raleigh, NC.

Our vigil is always peaceful and prayerful. Participants agree to abide by the Statement of Peace with a pledge to conduct themselves in a Christ-like manner.

New participants, we have a two step sign up process. The first step is to sign up online with the 40 Days for Life National Data Base at the "Help Saves Lives" box to the right of the web page banner picture. The second step is to return to the homepage to sign up for access to the 40 Days For Life Vigil Calendar and schedule your time for prayer at Drake Circle.

If you encounter anything that is unclear or have any questions about how to proceed, please send your request or inquiry to [fortydfraleigh@aol.com](mailto:fortydfraleigh@aol.com).

**GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT CONTINUED:**

Work is progressing for a family day for the council. Plans are under way for a Sunday afternoon Mass followed by a picnic, games and friendly competition. George Grant is heading this up and we have tentatively set Sunday April 21, 2013 as the date. More to follow but George needs some volunteers to help in the planning and organization.

As for organizing a lady's auxiliary, I have been sending inquiries to the state and I have yet to get a response from them. We do have several women who have agreed to help organize a chapter once we find out what it takes. I am hopeful that we will eventually see some progress in this area.

Moving on to current business... This is the start of a new school year and with that there are many activities taking place at both parishes to help people build on their faith. Look for bible studies and take advantage participating in them. Learn more about your faith and meet new people in your parish who share your beliefs. I have been doing the Catholic Scripture Study at St. Michael's for the last 4 years and I continue to learn more and more about Catholicism and I have a much better understanding of the bible and how the Old Testament points to salvation through Christ. The time commitment is a few hours a week and the

payback is enhanced knowledge and a stronger faith.

Christmas is getting close, only about 15 more weeks. We need to start thinking about our Christmas card sales and get an early start on that. Before we know it Thanksgiving will be here and then it will be too late to get a jump on early sales.

Thank you all for you continued support of the Knights. Please keep in mind that we are always looking for Catholic men to join our organization and become active in our charitable and community activities. If you know a Catholic Gentleman who is not a member, ask him to join. To borrow a well know phrase, we are looking for a "Few Good Men".

**VIVAT JESUS!**



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Please send me your inputs by email, if you can. Include pictures and commentary. Send info on successes and upcoming events. Current plan is to produce the newsletter quarterly.. with an eye toward bi-monthly. Thank you for your help. One baby was born while writing this newsletter...

## A Word on Faithful Citizenship

### From Bishop Burbidge's Letters:

"To exercise our faithful citizenship as Catholics, voters must be informed on the major issues of our day and how the teachings of Jesus and His Church address these issues, as well as how candidates are responding to these matters through the positions and policies they advocate. While Catholics are not single issue voters, our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, has stated that there are matters which are to be of the greater priority for us, due to their moral gravity (*Address*, March 30, 2006)."

"*Protecting the innocent, especially from the destruction of their life by abortion, embryonic stem cell research, human cloning and euthanasia, is our greatest priority as Catholics, as these actions directly affect the very life and human dignity of these who are most vulnerable.*"

"**PRAY** about your choice of candidate."

### Excerpts from the Political Party Platforms:

#### *Democratic Party Platform on Abortion:*

Page 52: "The Democratic Party strongly and unequivocally supports *Roe v. Wade* and a woman's right to make decisions regarding her pregnancy, including safe and legal abortion, **regardless of ability to pay.**" (Taxpayer-funded)

#### *GOP Platform on Abortion:*

Page 14: "We oppose using public revenues to promote or perform abortion or fund organizations which perform or advocate it and will not fund or subsidize health care which includes abortion coverage."

Take the time to read each parties' platforms on these most-important issues and form your conscience to inform your vote. A Google search will lead you to the documents online.

*"Actions then which jeopardize our fundamental dignity, especially abortion, embryonic stem cell research, human cloning and euthanasia, are of the greatest priority as they are intrinsic evils, meaning our participation in them is not negotiable and never to be considered as morally acceptable, given each demeans the fundamental sacredness of God's gift of human life."*

*"No other right is exercisable unless a man first has the right to his own life."*

### **From the 4th Degree**

Our Veterans Day Luncheon will be held on November 11th at 1:00 pm at St Andrew's Fellowship Hall. Guest speaker will be USAF Lt Col Greg McCleary. A roast pork dinner will be served with drinks and desert. Cost is \$10 per person.

Our Christmas Party will be on December 8th, at 7:00 pm at St Andrew's Fellowship Hall. There will be a dinner served by Catering By Design. Dinner will include appetizers, desert, wine and drinks. We will have door prizes, raffles and a 50/50 contest. Cost will be \$20 per person.

### **Special Olympics Help**

The "Color Me Rad" 5K is really unique event where runners start out with a plain white t-shirt, get covered in colored cornstarch (thrown on them by volunteers) at each kilometer, and end up with a very colorful t-shirt (and body) at the end of the race. How would you like to join the bomb squad?

This is a new event for the local Special Olympics and they need several volunteers. It will be a "messy" but fun and satisfying event--and will all wash off. Need help in the morning 8 am - 1 pm.

Please RSVP to Rich [rpupi@nc.rr.com](mailto:rpupi@nc.rr.com)

## Calendar at a Glance

### 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7:30 pm

Regular Meetings (Rosary at 7 pm)

### Oct 22nd, Social Meeting

1st and 2nd Degree

### Degrees Coming up Locally

1st Deg: Dec 10th Business Meeting

### Dec 3rd: Blood Drive

### Note: New Council Website!

Have you seen our new website? Go to [www.kofc6650.org](http://www.kofc6650.org) for more information. It's a great tool for keeping up on news of the council--and our calendar of events. Please leave comments if you have suggestions or want to help keep it current.

*"The common outcry, which is justly made on behalf of human rights--for example, the right to health, to home, to work, to family, to culture--is false and illusory if the right to life, the most basic and fundamental right and the condition for all other personal rights, is not defended with maximum determination."*

-- Pope John Paul II, "*Christifideles Laici*"

*"While the Church exhorts civil authorities to seek peace, not war, and to exercise discretion and mercy in imposing punishment on criminals, it may still be permissible to take up arms to repel an aggressor or to have recourse to capital punishment. There may be a legitimate diversity of opinion even among Catholics about waging war and applying the death penalty, but not however with regard to abortion and euthanasia."*

-- Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger (before he was Pope Benedict XVI)



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