



# Knightly News

## Grand Knight's Report

This is my first news letter submission as Grand Knight of Council #6650. I have to admit that stepping into the role as Grand Knight came as quite a surprise to me as it seemed to happen over night with the sudden and unexpected resignation of John Mitchell who left to move to New Jersey to take a new job. Congratulations John, and I pray that you may have nothing but success in your new career.



Jack Nemetz

With my election to Grand Knight in November I am stepping into some uncharted waters. I ask all of you for your prayers and support as I assume the role as your leader for the next six months until the annual elections in June. I also want to give a special thanks to Tom

Eifler, Bob Caron, Dallas Foster and Howard Zahn for assisting me and giving me advice and council during my first month in office. I also want to thank George Grant for taking on the role as my assistant as Deputy Grand Knight.

We begin a new calendar year with many challenges and opportunities in front of us. The greatest challenge is continued funding for the charities that we support. Our fund raising contributions have fallen off, as have charitable contributions in general, as the economy has continued to struggle in a slow recovery. Our largest charity is Operation LAMB where we have seen contributions fall significantly; both at the local and state level. We are looking

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### New Deputy Grand Knight

Thank you to George Grant for stepping up to fill the role of Deputy Grand Knight. He was elected at the December business meeting to fill this very important vacancy.

Please give him your help and support.



### FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

“Let the hands fast, by being free of avarice. Let the feet fast, by ceasing to run after sin. Let the eyes fast, by disciplining them not to glare at that which is sinful. Let the ear fast, by not listening to evil talk and gossip. Let the mouth fast from foul words and unjust criticism. For what good is it if we abstain from birds and fishes, but bite and devour our brothers?”

- St John Chrysostom

### GOLFING FOR LAMB

It's time to prepare for this year's golf tournament. If you would like to participate on the 2012 golf committee, either contact Joe Fiore ([Joe.Fiore@eisai.com](mailto:Joe.Fiore@eisai.com)) or come to the first meeting immediately following the February business meeting on Feb 13th. Contact Joe Fiore by email to join his email list and get the latest news and issues related to the tournament.

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for new ways to support LAMB and I am also seeking a new LAMB Director who can work with Howard Zahn to take on more of the logistics related to run this effort.

Our next large fund raiser is the Lenten Friday Fish Fry and it will be upon is before we know it. It takes a lot of help and many hours of work to pull this off every year. While we continue to run this event, the council has seen expenses and meal prices increase while our contributions are flat or lower. We have to find ways to control expenses as we continue to offer this event which has become a St. Michael's Lenten tradition. Please put it on you "to do" list to help out on Friday's during Lent as we want to continue our success with this event.

**2012 Lenten Fish Fry Dates**

February 24  
 March 2  
 March 9  
 March 16  
 March 23  
 March 30

We need help from all available Knights to make this work.

year. Just make a note when you send in your tax deductible contribution that the extra payment is for Room at the Inn. Since the Knights are the major benefactor for this project we have been granted naming rights for the actual building. It will be named the McGivney Center for Life in honor of our founder. To learn more about this project go to

[www.mcgivnetcenterforlife.org](http://www.mcgivnetcenterforlife.org) or [www.rati.org](http://www.rati.org).

For those members who have not yet taken their 3<sup>rd</sup> degree, there are four opportunities coming up in the central part of the state in the next six months. I believe the fee for an observer is \$12 and includes the reception following the degree.

I have been in contact with the Faithful Navigator of our local 4<sup>th</sup> degree Assembly and hope to talk to

As most of you should know by now, the Knights of Columbus is supporting "Room at the Inn"; the project providing housing for pregnant college students who want to continue their college education while carrying their babies to term. The Knights of North Carolina have agreed to personally raise \$1 million over five years in support of the project's building fund. The state is asking every Knight in North Carolina to contribute \$20 per year for five years to this project. So far the Knights of the state have donated over \$400,000. To help with this project I am asking every brother of the council to add an additional \$20 donation to your membership payment when the dues statement comes due this

the Apex council soon concerning joint fund raising events. As you know we are pretty limited in what we can do at St Michael's because of the exclusive use of the kitchen by the catering service. However, there are new possibilities opening up with the completion of the St Andrew's expansion early in 2012. My goal is to work with the Assembly to come up with new ways to have small events that we can run together to fund our charitable contributions to the churches, our priests and our faith community.

I hope you all have a happy, healthy and prosperous new year in 2012.

VIVAT JESUS!

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# From Our Church Director

The Church Director and LAMB Chairman came together to present a Certificate of Appreciation to Mr Mike Humbles, Kroger Manger for his support of our Council activities. His story located at Maynard Crossing is a popular stop for many residents.

On Friday January 6, after the Council's hour of adoration and those attending went to the store to present Mr. Humbles with a framed certificate.

Mr. Humbles was very surprised and pleased by the presentation. A word of Thank You goes a long way..

Another certificate will be awarded to Mrs. Carol Boyle on the occasion of her retirement from the Rex Blood Services.

Mrs. Boyle is or was the person who coordinated the Blood Drives we support here at St Michael. The award will be presented at their awards luncheon on Friday January 27. Dallas Foster, Church Director and Pastor Reed were in attendance.



Frank Myers, Howard Zahn, Dallas Foster, Mr. Humbles, Paul Kondor.)

An open invitation to all members to come and pray with the Council on First Friday Adoration each month from 12 noon till 1:00 PM. It does the soul good to slow down for an hour and thank GOD thru Mary, Queen of the Knights for the blessing that we receive. Next adoration February 3.

**Dallas Foster, Church Director**  
(919) 851-1821

## 2012 Blood Drive Dates

February 6, April 30, June 25, September 17,  
December 3

### Calendar at a Glance

**2nd and 4th Mondays**

Regular Meetings (Rosary at 7 pm)

**Beginning February 24th**

Lenten Fish Fries every Friday in Lent

**February 27th Social Meeting**

Dr Christopher Outten, Chiropractor

**Degrees Coming up Locally**

2nd: February 7th at St MM in Apex

3rd: February 18th at Raleigh 2546

3rd: April 14th at Durham 13812

**Freethrow Challenges**

District: March 24th at St MM

State: March 31st in Burlington

**April 21st: FOURTH Degree**

Waynesville in the western part of the state

## Operation LAMB Grants

Apex HS	\$350	Kingswood El	\$550
Athens Drive HS	\$1,000	Northwoods El	\$800
Briarcliff El	\$350	Panther Creek HS	\$1,750
Cary El	\$1,875	Reedy Creek El	\$800
Cary HS	\$200	Reedy Creek MS	\$100
Cedar Forks El	\$575	St Andrew ECC	\$900
Davis Drive MS	\$125	Special Olympics of Wake	\$844.27
Dillard Drive El	\$825	Sycamore Creek El	\$100
Dillard Drive MS	\$200	The Arc of Wake Co.	\$800
Farmington Woods El	\$400	JW York El	\$200
Green Hope HS	\$100	Weatherstone El	\$550
Holly Ridge El	\$300	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,694.27</b>

# A Pro-Life Story

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“My birth mother felt very strongly that I should be adopted by college graduates, so everything was all set for me to be adopted at birth by a lawyer and his wife. Except that when I popped out they decided at the last minute that they really wanted a girl. So my parents, who were on a waiting list, got a call in the middle of the night asking: ‘We have an unexpected baby boy; do you want him?’ They said: ‘Of course.’ My biological mother later found out that my mother had never graduated from college and that my father had never graduated from high school. She refused to sign the final adoption papers. She only relented a few months later when my parents promised that I would someday go to college.”

- Steve Jobs

It's not hard to consider the “what ifs” of Jobs's life. He was born in 1955, long before Roe v. Wade greatly reduced the odds that the result of an “unplanned pregnancy” would survive. Had he been conceived since 1973... Let's just say that abortion has affected more of our lives than we may ever know. Perhaps God had answered all of our prayers for cures and innovations in these little ones. One thing is certain, they deserved to find out.



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