



# St. Edward's Council # 707



Clinton & Camanche, Iowa

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## Grand Knights Message

Hopefully everyone responded to the survey of fraternal activity that was included with your dues notice. The results of this survey are used to help the Knights of Columbus maintain their tax exempt status and provide a degree of leverage in lobbying legislative bodies on issues of concern to Catholics. Congratulations to all the youth that participated in the free-throw Contest held on Jan. 23rd. A reminder that on Feb. 18th we will be serving the Blue and Gold Banquet for Cub Scout Pack 1 at St. Boniface again this year. There is also a Fourth Degree Exemplification on Feb. 11th at the Church of the Visitation in honor of Bishop William Franklin. Any Third Degree Knights that are interested should take advantage of this opportunity to advance to the Fourth Degree close to home. Remember that the Lenten Fish Fries will begin on Mar.3rd, and we need lots of help to have another successful year of fun and fellowship.

Vivat Jesus.

## Ladies Auxiliary

Hello Ladies,

I was so glad to see all of you at our meeting last night. Those of you who could not attend last night we all missed you. Our next meeting is February 27<sup>th</sup>. Please try to attend. We voted to purchase a griddle for our Knights to use for their fish fries and what ever they need it for. I was told our Bus trip was real nice. Wish I could have made the trip but I will be there this year. The fish fries will be coming up real fast. If you are free we could use you to manned our table or help the Knights in some way.

God Bless you all. Betty Fullick

## Council Business

It was voted on and approved for the first reading to donate \$1000 to the Iowa Knights of Columbus charitable Foundation with money coming from the Lenten fish fries. Second reading will be February 13, 2006.

It was voted on and approved to donate 12 fish fry tickets to the Irish Auction.

## Fish Fries

For six Fridays starting March 4, 2006, St. Edwards Council will have Lenten Fish Fry's at St. Boniface Hall starting at 4:30pm - 7:30pm. Carryout available and the public are welcome. The menu is either Fried or baked Fish (all you can eat), Bakes Potato, Applesauce, Restrelli's Bread, Slaw & Drink. New this year is Grilled Cheese Sandwich. The price is \$6.50 for Adults & \$3.50 children under 12. Back again this year is 7 Jumbo Shrimp (not all you can eat) plus same side dishes for \$8.00. Be sure to bring the kids. They will enjoy the Grilled Cheese Sandwiches. There may be some other side dishes to make the meal interesting.

## Attendance Drawing

For January 9, for \$25 Ray Mantsch, winner and for \$14.75 Roger Burken. Sorry not present.

## Fourth Degree

The next business meeting will be February 21, 2006 at Our Lady Of Guadalupe 750 17<sup>th</sup> St., Silvis, Illinois. Mass at 6:00 p.m. Dinner reservations due no later than February 16, 2006 to: Benito Gonzalez (563) 242-7492

Join the highest and most prestigious degree, (Patriotic Degree) in the Knights of Columbus **February 11, 2006**. Loras General Assembly #260 will be hosting a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification at the Church of the Visitation in Camanche. We must have 40 candidates to make this a break-even event. Don't wait for the last minute to ask someone to join. **DO IT NOW!** The cost is \$65 for initiation fee and \$10 registration fee for a total of \$75. The dress is formal, meaning black tux. Contact Henry Fullick at 563-242-8256 or contact any 4<sup>th</sup> Degree member for an application. Be sure to mark this date on your calendar.

## Basket Ball Free Throw

Sixteen boys and one girl participated in the K of C annual free throw contest. The winners were, for the girls: 11 yr. old Carie Kuehn; and for the boys: 10 yr. old Derek Ebensberger, 11 yr. old Ryan Driscoll, 12 yr. old Christian Rowan, 13 yr. old Eric Sikkema, and 14 yr. old Sean Mulholland. These 5 boys and 1 girl move on to the district competition on Sunday, Feb 5 in LeClaire. Congratulations. Thanks to Mark Mangin, Ray Mantsch, Jim Winkel, Curt Vath, Andy Gray, Bernie Holtkamp, John Seitz, and Terry Geertz for helping run this project. I would also like to ask that someone think about taking the chairmanship of this project next year, after ten plus years I would like to pass the project on to someone new. Thanks for all the help, Mark Mangin.

## Report on Our Past Pie Sale

Although this report is delayed because of forgetfulness or Christmas celebrations, it is a good report. We earned a little over \$1,000.00 for our Scholarship fund. ---\$500 for Vocations and \$500 for Education. Many thanks to those who helped make this a fine success: Glen Messerich, Louis Krachium, Dawn Schuetzle, Jeff Small, Earl Farrell, Ryan Steines, John Seitz, Ed and Frankie Ford, Mark Mangin and Chairman Ray Mantsch. Many thanks to those who participated in this effort!

## Small Prize Raffle

Over the past several years I have noticed that the Small Prize Raffle is about the only chance that members who are unable to participate in Council activities, for reasons of health or distance, are able to be part of this program. Our annual Small Prize Raffle for Vocation support will be changed in a few ways this year. The first change is that the money collected on the raffle and the donations to the raffle will be used for the Seminary in Peru. The second change is the prizes: one will be the \$50 US savings bond as usual, and the second prize will be

something Peruvian (not decided yet) The third change will be for those who do not wish to join the raffle but who wish to send in a donation, and there are several. The donations to the Knights Peru Vocations Fund can be made out to Prince of Peace and put into the collection basket on the weekend Masses, and therefore it can be used as a tax deduction. The third part will continue for a year along with a fund raising effort for a humanitarian project in Peru. This will be further explained in next month's newsletter with an insert to begin the Small Prize Raffle. Several details will need to be worked out yet, so we will begin our raffle in March. Thanks for your patience, Ray Mantsch.

## Membership

Sometimes the hardest thing about recruiting is taking the first steps, but recruiting a new member can be as easy as asking them to join. In conversations an individual is seeking information from you, but more often than not, it may be up to you to "strike up" that conversation and promote your council to a prospect. Members find out that it is very common for individuals to not join the Knights simply because they were never asked, so by taking the initiative and starting up a conversation, you are taking the first steps in recruiting on a one-on-one basis. Be ready at all times to talk about your council and the Order. Make sure you have pamphlets handy in your car and a Form #100 in your pocket so you will have just what the individual will be looking for.

If you are confident and knowledgeable, you will be able to answer their questions, no matter what direction the conversation goes. The Knights of Columbus has a lot to offer anyone who wants to help his community, Church, family or himself. It is up to you to be knowledgeable about your council and the Order; you will see that from simple conversations, your one-on-one recruiting will begin to pay dividends.

## TIRED OF YOUR JOB?

Consider a career with the Knights of Columbus Insurance. If you are: Self-motivated, a good time manager, goal oriented, have a genuine concern for other people and have the desire to succeed by putting in the necessary hours to achieve income growth, then this is the career for you. You will have a training allowance, production bonuses, income potential of professional and other great benefits. If you are interested in exploring this opportunity, please contact Martin Wernimont, General Agent at 319-268-1492 (office) or 319-239-7150 (cell). E-Mail: [wernimontagency@yahoo.com](mailto:wernimontagency@yahoo.com).

## K-C Benefits

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