



The Centurion



ST. THOMAS MORE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10205

Immaculate Mary, Queen of the Rosary, Queen of the Knights. Pray the Rosary every day.

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Grand Knight's Message

Council has its own version of March Madness

Brother Knights,

Welcome to March Madness. Here are the various activities happening this month:



- 1) Five Fish Dinner nights
- 2) St. Patrick's Parade and Party March 17th
- 3) St. Thomas More hosts the Metro Meeting on March

19th.

- 4) First Degree Exemplification March 23rd, on a Fish Dinner Night
- 5) Easter food Box distribution, col-

lection and delivery

As you can see, March is the busiest month of the year for the council. Here are more details:

Five Fish Dinners

We have served two dinners and have three more to enjoy. First nights attendance was 188. The second week increased to 242. If you have not tried the dinner you will like it. Join in, enjoy the dinner with your family and help out before, during or after.

The food is great and there are many familiar folks to talk with, not to mention fellow Knights. With the Stations of

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Brothers Tom Shinnars, left, and Cliff Spratt entertained the crowd at STM's Clergy Night. Other Council entertainers, including the Knights choir, are pictured on Page 5.



MARCH EVENTS

- 6 Council Meeting , 7:30 p.m.
- 8 4th Degree Meeting at STM
- 9 Fish Fry 4:45-6:45pm, Gym
- 16 Pick-up Easter Food Boxes, assemble food boxes
- 16 Fish Fry 4:45-6:45pm, Gym
- 17 Distribute Easter Food Boxes after all Masses
- 17 St Patrick's Day Dinner Dance
- 18 Distribute Easter food boxes after all Masses
- 18 Knight's Choir performs at 6:30am Mass, STM
- 23 Founder's Day 1st Degree at STM
- 19 Metro Meeting
- 20 Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Tentative First Degree
- 20 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
- 23 Fish Fry 4:45-6:45pm, Gym
- 25 State Free Throw Contest
- 30 Fish Fry 4:45-6:45pm, Gym

New insurance agent ready to help members

Note from General Agent Doug Parsons: It is my pleasure to introduce Daniel Long, your new Field Agent for Council 10205. He started his career with the Knights of Columbus in Colorado. He will be moving back to Colorado and be assigned to your coun-

cil on April 1. Following is a note from Dan:

Let me introduce myself as your Knights of Columbus Field Agent. My wife, Dorothy, and I make our home in Greeley. We have been married thirty-five years and

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FISH FRY ATTRACTS MANY: Food, fun and fellowship marked the first of five fish fries sponsored by the Council. The March gatherings are an excellent way for parish families to get to know each other. More Fish Fry photos on inside pages. ►►

Editor's Corner

Marching to a different drummer

“Marching to a different drummer” is a phrase we often hear explaining someone’s weird behavior. I think it’s supposed to indicate a certain genius, a secret knowledge or unique intuition.

Who is this drummer anyway? I think our drummer is Jesus Christ.

We can march to a different drummer if we care to. After all, God gave us free will. But our drummer lovingly urges adherence to His will. Throughout my life, I have marched to different drummers at various times.

But the real music has always attracted me back to Jesus. It is not popular or perhaps politically correct to march with Jesus.

It means we support life and detest abortion. It means we decry the ugly sub culture of pornography and sexual exploitation.

It means we bow our heads in prayer when we witness violence and unfair treatment.

It means we go out of our way to be good examples of our Catholicism and Christian beliefs. A tough way to live sometimes, but Jesus is our great example of courage.

As members of the nights of Columbus, we have the perfect opportunity to march to the Perfect Drummer, by living our lives in support of our principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

By marching to this drumbeat, who knows how long this parade will get?

Bruce Tawson

LADIES AUXILIARY

Here is the February Ladies Auxiliary Report:

Opening prayer was written by Diane Damore and read by Marge.

Minutes from 1/07 were read and approved by Lily and Marge. Laura gave us our treasurer’s report which was also approved.

A lovely thank you letter from Bridgeway was read. Laura read a letter from Alternatives that said 226 babies were born this past year, they have their own radio program, 50 churches were involved, their spring luncheon is 4/19/07. They have just celebrated their 25 years.

Lily reported on the Carmelite Nuns. She will be taking one of the nuns to the dentist.

Lily brought up the Living Rosary Crusade. Jean Ann talked about the King Soopers coupons. Lily also read a thank you from the Samaritan House.

Helene reported on the State Auxiliary. Coming up is the Fashion Show in Pueblo.

Our main focus was on the upcoming Card party which is to take place on Saturday, 2/24/07 at St. Thomas More.

The State Auxiliary Convention will be March 15 and we discussed what we need to contribute to that convention. The closing prayers were led by Marge and written by Diane.

Jan Bateski, Secretary, 303-740-2218

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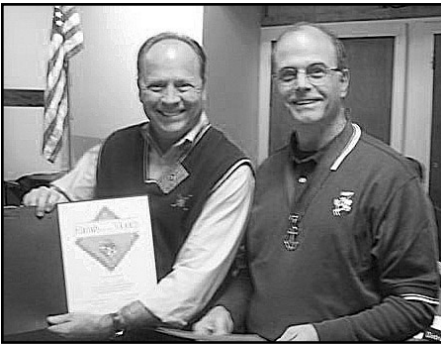
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RECOGNITION AWARDS: Far left, Director of Family Activities, Joe Lamb, accepts the Family of the Month award for December 2006. Council Chancellor Doug Grogan accepts the Knight of the Month award for January, 2007. Joe Borgerdine accepts the January Family of the Month award from GK Dave Randolph.

Resolution to support Knights of Columbus Council 10205 Ladies Auxiliary

Whereas, St. Thomas More Council 10205 has an auxiliary branch,
 Whereas, The Auxiliary provides the council with regular support in fundraising efforts,
 Whereas, The Auxiliary support for council 10205 contributes to the success of council fundraisers, and provides a direct financial benefit to the council,
 Whereas, The Auxiliary currently receives no compensation for the time, effort and expenses in support of council fundraisers
 Be it RESOLVED that: Council 10205 distribute a \$1,000.00 lump sum contribution to the Council 10205 Ladies Auxiliary.
 Respectfully submitted,
 David Randolph GK 10205

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**MAY 3-9, 2007
 DOUBLETREE HOTEL
 3203 Quebec, Denver**

New insurance agent

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have two children and two grandchildren. I have been with Knights of Columbus Insurance for fifteen years and have attained the professional designation of Fraternal Insurance Counselor (FIC).

I have an extensive knowledge of the Knights insurance benefits and the solutions they provide to meet the needs of members and their families.

I use the "Profiles + Forecaster" software - a member benefit that provides detailed needs analysis in four areas: premature death, college planning, retirement planning and long-term care.

Dorothy and I attend St. Peter's Church in Greeley. We were involved with Marriage Encounter as board members and circle coordinators.

My mission is to provide each of my assigned Knights of Columbus members and their families with sound insurance and financial advice that will provide them with security in the event of unexpected death or retirement. Each member will receive the highest quality products and services.

The member's needs, interests and desires are my first and only order of business. It will be my pleasure to serve the members of council 10205. I look forward to meeting each of you in the near future. *Daniel Long can be reached at daniel.long@kofc.org*

**St. Patrick's
 Day Dance**

**St. Thomas More Catholic Church
 Saturday, March 17, 2007 ~ 6 to 10 p.m.**

Choice of traditional Irish dinner, a steak dinner, or chicken dinner

**Prizes for best Irish costume
 Performance by the St. Brenan's Celtic Steps
 6:30 p.m. to end of dance**

**Dancing to the Irish Music of Cliff Spratt and the Green Men Dance Band
 8 to 10 p.m.**

Tickets \$20 per person includes dinner, dancing, entertainment and door prizes.
 Tickets available at the parish office and Cloister Cove Gift Shop.

Reserve a table to ensure you place at this popular annual event. Heavy attendance is anticipated. Buy 9 tickets and receive the 10th ticket free.

For information contact Fred Zweifel at 303-694-0604
 or Dave Randolph 303-796-9551.

The membership drive has arrived

I need your help! I want our council to be the "big dog" on the block for new members, and to do this I need all of your help

As you know, starting Saturday Feb. 24, and going consecutive weekends to Sunday March 11, we need to man all the entrances and exits at the church after or before all Masses.



With this start of our annual membership drive, and the fact it is just in time for our 125th Anniversary of the founding of our Fraternal Order.

We can really show just how powerful our

council can be.

I have ordered all new materials to be handed out, I am stocked up with form 100's, and so we are ready to go.

Please make an all out effort. I know we can make a big impact on our membership rolls, and let's bring in to our council many new brothers.

I am so proud to be a part of the Knights, and especially proud to be a part of council 10205.

So let's make it happen, and let's make this drive a great one!

Vivat Jesus

Rod



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

JOSEPH BOWDEN
JOSE MONDRAGON
CLIFF LITTLEJOHN

BRUCE TRULL
TOM SHINNERS
FRANK SMITH
CHARLES WALSH
LINDSAY KOUGH
MIGUEL BALDWIN

PAUL GIVENS
LEONARD MICEK
PETER SCATURRO
MICHAEL LEARY
RICH MCRAE
BRUCE TAWSON
DANIEL SALZ
ROBERT KRAEFT
RODNEY BOWADESKY

ED WERNSMAN
MIKE GROTA
LARRY MCCARTY
JOE CARUSO
JIM HALL
BRUCE ROBINSON

THE SPIRIT OF SERVICE:

Events such as the annual Fish Frys require that a good number of Knights be present to handle the wide range of duties needed to serve the large number of persons who attend. Such events are needed to continue funding charitable causes. The Bar crew who volunteered at a recent Fish Fry: Bill Grennan, Len Mazzi, Emedio Parziale, and Fred Zweifel.



United in Charity programs looks to future

At the annual Supreme Council meeting in Texas in 2004, Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson introduced United in Charity, a general, unrestricted endowment to support and ensure the overall long-term charitable and philanthropic goals of the Order.

Every year, the Order receives special requests from the Catholic Church and organizations closely aligned with our mission of support for the Church.

Now, such requests must be met from the general funds of the Order or in combination with specific appeals, as for example the Gulf States Disaster Relief fund – and the demand at times far exceeds the supply. The funds from United in Charity would help support these vital endeavors in the future.

The initial response to United in Charity has been very positive. Since its inception the endowment has received almost \$2 million in donations. (Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. has accomplished much in the last eight months, and

approximately another \$5 million in contributions have already been directed to the Gulf States.) Nonetheless, it will take several years before it fulfills the Supreme Knight's vision of attaining a level capable of generating earnings to fund the Order's critical charitable objectives.

Your donation of an unrestricted gift to United in Charity will help the Order reach this goal.

You may give a donation now by mail or online, which is tax deductible (or in Canada tax creditable) to the extent permitted by law.

You may also choose to donate by giving Knights of Columbus life insurance for the benefit of United in Charity after your family insurance needs are met.

Your local Knights of Columbus insurance agent can provide you a brochure and inform you of several options in this regard.

Thank you for your support of the charitable and philanthropic goals of the Order.



TALENTED COUNCIL MEMBERS performed at the recent Clergy Night Dinner. Far left, John Christian accompanies pianist Karen Burlage as they back up the Knights Men's Choir, which performed a rousing rendition of *Amen!*



FISH FRY FUN: March features five dates for parish families to enjoy the Lenten tradition at St. Thomas More. The cost is \$8.50 for adults and \$6 for children ages 12 and under. Children under 4 are free. At right, GK Dave Randolph, Katie Wondra, seated to his right, and daughter Amanda enjoy the menu.



GRAND KNIGHT: March events require team effort with multiple activities

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the Cross following dinner, you can make it a fun and spiritual evening. Perhaps on one day during Lent we could all visit the Stations at 7 p.m. to remind us of how Easter came to be.

St. Patrick's Day party on March 17

Help celebrate with dinner and other activities. There will be. Irish dancing, steak, corned beef or chicken. Kids are invited this year! With dinner, there will be live music and Irish Dancers.

Have you ever been to a Metro Meeting? Greater Denver Area Councils GKs and District Deputies report on activities that their councils are currently involved in. I need people to set-up drinks and snacks as well as direct visitors to the meeting.

"Metro" has its own GK and officers. We need to be dismissed by 9 p.m. It doesn't take much to prepare for the meeting but a little help is needed. It is held Monday March 19 with the Rosary at 7 p.m. and the meeting at 7:30. p.m. Let me know you'll help by calling 303-777-9090 or 303-514-5554.

State Sponsored 1st Degree and Fish night March 23

Knights, beginning at 3 p.m. on March

23 before the Fish Dinner, we need to begin registering candidates for the Degree. Maintenance will set up the Mission Room. All candidates must be in the council chamber (Mission Room) right after Stations. The Degree starts at 7:30 pm.

Please pitch in. You could show up early for sign-in registration at 3 p.m. or help direct candidates to and from the Mission Room, or up to Stations and back. We need you. Attend the fish dinner and please lend a hand as you see the need.

Bobby Rogers

On March 2, Bobby had open-heart surgery. Please pray for his quick recovery. Priorities change when a Brother needs help. Extra prayers for him is in order.

In this newsletter (Page X) you will see a resolution to donate money to the charitable efforts of our Ladies Auxiliary. They are very active in helping and promoting the St. Thomas More council fund raisers. They contribute greatly to the success of our projects. They deserve credit, and for this should be given our support in return. Please endorse their cause.

I want to express my gratitude for the

help and support of all participants and directors. You have all done a beautiful job.

Directors Benny Martinez and Joe Lamb organized and conducted the council and district Free Throw Contests with the help from many; Church Director Joe Borgerdine made arrangements for the Wives Appreciation Breakfast at Marie Callender's and for the Knights Stations of the Cross; Jim Frank has organized and operated our Fish Fries and is preparing for the Easter Food Drive as Community Director and found the help of many; Director, Fred Zweifel is going to have a fun St. Patrick's Day Dinner coming up and will put on the inaugural Fall Fest. Rod Fiore has taken new initiatives in recruiting with frequent announcements, publicity and membership blitzes. Robert Agnew got our Web Page on-line again.

Thank you, and to all of you who helped, participated or attended, making these projects enjoyable efforts. Dan Washburn, Jolynn, Jose and Mitchell, great job! Thank you all.

Oh, and enjoy the basketball games!

Dave Randolph

4th Degree Happenings

Highest Knight Degree Underscores Patriotism

By Price Hatcher

District Master, State of Colorado

The Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus was established on February 22, 1900. The highest rank of the Order, this Degree was founded on the principle of Patriotism, which the Knights define as love for, and devotion to, one's country.

Members of the Fourth Degree are often referred to as "Sir Knights." The Fourth Degree is an important part of the Knights of Columbus because it is the "visible arm" of the Order.

Fourth Degree members meet in "assemblies," which usually are made up of more than one council or parish. The spirit of fraternity is nurtured within each assembly and is a vital aspect of the work of the Fourth Degree.

As the visible arm of the Knights of Columbus, the Fourth Degree Honor Guard is often called upon by priests and clergy to bring color and dignity to Mass and other liturgical celebrations by appearing in colorful regalia.

The Honor Guard is often seen at rosaries and funerals for deceased Knights. It's also common for the Arch-



bishop to call on the services of a metro-wide Honor Guard.

In Colorado, the first assembly of the Fourth Degree was established in December of 1902 and named after John H. Reddin, the first Territorial Deputy of the Knights of Columbus in the western US.

Colorado currently has 40 assemblies with more than 2,800 members. This number is expected to grow to more than 3,200 by the end of June. Worldwide, there are more than 300,000 Fourth Degree Knights.

In Colorado, the Fourth Degree is under the leadership of Price Hatcher, who holds the tile of Master. He served from 2001 through 2003 as State Deputy and served as Supreme Warden for the Order

from 2004 through 2006. Reporting to him are three Marshalls who are responsible for training of the Honor Guard participants in Colorado.

The Fourth Degree honors our veterans by serving as volunteers at the veteran homes and hospitals throughout the state.

We participate in at least four St. Patrick's Day parades each year in Colorado, with the largest being in Denver. More than 125 Sir Knights are expected to march in the Denver St. Patrick's Day parade in honor of the 125th anniversary of the founding of the Knights of Columbus.

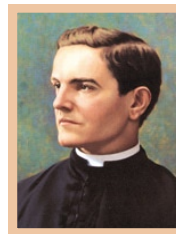
In addition, we participate in many local festivities and parades. We train members of the Knights of Columbus and the public on proper protocol and proper display the flag. It is a little-known fact that the Fourth Degree led the charge to place "under God" in our national pledge of allegiance.

In addition, the Knights also provide flags to schools for display in classrooms as a way to underscore the Fourth Degree emphasis on patriotism.

For more information contact Bruce Tawson at (303) 683-2686.

Founder's Day Weekend

March 23-25



St. Thomas More needs people to commit to an hour of adoration before the blessed Sacrament. The adoration directors are having some difficulty filling all the hours, especially the midnight to 6 am time slots. Our hope is that with such a large parish and thousands of parishioners we should be able to cover these time slots. To sign up please contact Fred Meurer at 303-796-7541

Friday: Fish Fry at St. Thomas More runs from 4:45 – 6:45 p.m. Candidates and sponsors should arrive before 7pm. They are invited to come early and enjoy the Fish Fry. Contact GK Dave Randolph (303 796 9551) for further information.

Saturday: All events will take place at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Northglenn. Registration is from 10:00am – Noon. Candidates go into the antechamber at noon. The Second Degree will begin at 12:30 p.m. Contact GK Rudy Barrone (303 254 8199) for further information.

Sunday: District Master Price Hatcher and Harold L Stansell Assembly #2409 will be hosting a 4th Degree Exemplification in Arvada. Contact Joe Starcevich (303 420 1232) for further information.

FRIDAY	1st Degree	7:30 p.m -- St. Thomas More
SATURDAY	2ND & 3RD Degree	Immaculate Heart of Mary, Northglenn
SUNDAY	4th Degree	Arvada

