



# Monthly Knightly Report

Cottleville Council #7198

February 2009

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**Christmas Tree Lot.** The annual Christmas Tree Lot was another success. The Council realized a net profit of \$8,800. Thank you to the Christmas Tree Committee Chairmen – Jim Surrell and Craig Oppermann - and all of the Knights who gave of their time to work the Lot. We received numerous comments on the quality of the trees. If you have any suggestions for next year, please feel free to relay your comments to Jim Surrell, Craig Oppermann, your Team Leader or any Council Officer.

**Knights of the Month.** In recognition of their efforts with the Christmas Tree Lot, Jim Surrell and Craig Oppermann were recognized as the Knights of the Month for December, 2008.

**2010 State Horseshoe Tournament.** As was announced in the last Knightly Report, our Council has been awarded the 2010 State Horseshoe Tournament. Mike Ficken has agreed to Chair the Tournament Committee.

On January 20<sup>th</sup>, the first meeting was held at the Hall to discuss the Tournament and provide a preliminary overview of the various committees and aspects of the Tournament. A strong showing of interest and support was evident as approximately 45 Members attended the meeting. Feel free to contact Mike Ficken or your Team Leader to become involved. It is not too early to participate. Don't wait to be called.

### **Council Officers**

Grand Knight: Tom Hutchison	300-3167
Chaplain: Fr. James Callahan	441-0055
Dep Grand Knight: Clancey Duttlinger	928-0490
Financial Secretary: Mike Pratt	294-7728
Chancellor: Gary Weber	928-4208
Recorder: Frank Pesha	294-3907
Advocate: Sam Simler	294-4989
Warden: Steve Krug	300-3288
Treasurer: Tim Spillane	300-4484
Lecturer: Frank Bahr	939-3539
Inside Guard: Vince Brusca	379-1558
Outside Guard: Rick Gruettemeyer, Sr.	978-8992
Trustees: Mike Ficken	949-9883
Harry Schellenger	441-5894
Darrell Bengfort	949-9883
District Deputy: Don Allen	978-1006
Ins Field Rep: Bob Klein	928-0510

### **Home Assn Officers**

President: Denny Knobbe	928-0524
Vice President: Mike Ficken	949-9883
Treasurer: Chris Lundberg	936-1944
Secretary: Gary Weber	928-4208

### **Ladies Auxiliary**

President: Patti Schuler	928-1601
Vice President: Paula Gruettemeyer	978-8992
Treasurer: Barb Ferrario	300-0515
Secretary: Gina Schuster	240-3989
Corresponding Secretary: Geri Harris	441-7951

### **Team Captains**

Team One:	
Sam Simler	636-294-4989
Ken Gerhardt	636-441-5348
Team Two	
Clancey Duttlinger	636-928-0490
Team Three	
Scott Liebel	636-329-1005
Team Four	
Gary Weber	636-928-4208
Tom Hutchison	636-300-3167

### **Ladies Auxiliary.**

The Ladies Auxiliary invites the wives of Members of the Knights of Columbus to join the Ladies Auxiliary. The Auxiliary meets on the second Tuesday of each month (except June, July and August) at 7:30 P.M. at the KC Hall. If anyone would like more information, please call Patti Schuler at 636-928-1601.

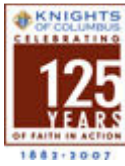
**Fish Fries.** It's that time of year again. Fish Fries start on Ash Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>. Your Team Leaders will be in touch with you regarding work assignments. Feel free to work any Fish Fry even if your Team is not assigned for that event. The mailing label on this newsletter indicates the Team to which you are assigned. You do not have to wait for your Team Leader to call - feel free to call your Team Leader and offer your help. Denny Knobbe will again head the Fish Fry Committee.

### **Annual Free Throw Contest.**

On Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, the annual Knights of Columbus Free Throw Tournament was held in the St. Joseph Grade School gymnasium. Approximately 55 boys and girls from the ages of 10 through 14 participated. Winners in each bracket will advance to the District level competition at St. Theodore Parish in Flint Hill on February 8<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Pat Carroll and Larry Stitz for again chairing this program. Thank you to Knights who helped with the event.

### **Blood Drive.**

On Sunday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, a Blood Drive was held at St. Joseph. A total of 42 pints of blood were donated. Thank you to Dave Moody, Chairman of the Blood Drive, and to all of the Knights who worked at the Blood Drive and gave blood.



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**Bartenders/Hosts Needed.** The Hall is in need of bartenders/hosts to work events at the Hall. Compensation for services is available but volunteers would be welcome. Contact Alison at the Hall or Denny Knobbe or Mike Ficken.

**1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Ceremonies.** On Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup> First, Second and Third Degree Ceremonies were held at our Hall. Seven gentlemen went through the First Degree Ceremony. Approximately 85 gentlemen went through the Second and Third Degree Ceremonies. Thank you to all who participated in the ceremonies and assisted with the Hall preparations.

**Note From The Financial Secretary.** A substantial number of our Members have not yet paid their annual dues. If you have not yet paid your dues, please do so or contact Mike Pratt or Tom Hutchison to discuss the same. If you have changed your address or phone number please notify Mike Pratt, your Team Leader or any Officer.

**1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree Ceremonies.** First, Second and Third Degree Ceremonies will be held at our Hall on January 25, 2009. If you are currently a First Degree Member, please consider taking the Second and Third Degree as the next step in your journey to full Knighthood. We would like a strong showing from our Council.

**Hall Bookings and Marketing Committee.** The number of bookings of the Hall has decreased during this past year – probably a reflection of our country’s current economic condition. A marketing committee is being formed to help market the Hall. If you would like to help market the Hall, please contact Denny Knobbe Vince Brusca and Sam Simler have agreed to participate in a marketing committee. Each of us can market the Hall to those we know. If you know of anyone who is or might be looking for a venue for a party, meeting, reception, event, etc., please recommend the Pezold Banquet Center.

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

March 6, 7 & 8<sup>th</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Ceremony

March 29<sup>th</sup> - 5th Sunday

March 21st – Texas Hold'em Tournament

April 5<sup>th</sup> - Blood Drive

May 31 - 5th Sunday

**Condolences to Denny Knobbe.**

The Members of the Council express their condolences to Denny Knobbe on the passing of his wife, Paula, and his brother. Our thoughts and prayers are with Denny and the Knobbe family.

**Membership.**

If you know of anyone who might be interested in becoming a Member of the Knights of Columbus, extend a personal invitation to that person to join our brotherhood.

If you know of a Knight that has not been attending Council Meetings, invite him to attend.

Encourage your spouse to join the Ladies Auxiliary.