



# Knights Log

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## Grand Knight's Message

### Why be a Knight?

Jeff Maschler

Every Knight answers this question at some point. I put it to our officers at our last Officer's meeting. I heard "1) A way to continue the brotherhood and fraternity experienced in the armed forces, 2) a way to continue or live out the Mass, 3) a solid way to answer the question "How do you spend your spare time?" and, 4) Following an example set by someone in their youth.

What I didn't hear was "to gain access to all the great Knights of Columbus benefits – family insurance, scholarships, funeral color guard procession, etc. "Its not that these are not worthy benefits, I think it is just another prime example of our inherent spirit of selflessness.

Here are more examples of selflessness of our council this year:

We provided a Red priestly vestment, refurbished gold plating inside communion cups, and purchased two new communion bowls and one additional communion cup.

In all likelihood, before year's end we will also donate to the Veterans Day parade, and buy bibles and other instructional materials for our youth education programs.

These were all priority requests made from the parish.

In addition to these requests, our council has hosted 9 fellowship pancake breakfasts/taco dinners, hosted the annual pig roast, generously donated to the parish picnic and spring ball, supported several youth missions and parish events (OLP and St Benedicts), helped paint the annex basement, installed a suitable annex kitchen faucet, bought new tables for parish events, provided rosaries for first communicants, won Star Council award, hosted the annual State golf tournament, started a local Project Moses, supported

several missions to Avondale, donated several hundred dollars to right to life, and several thousand dollars to handicapped children in our region.

Impressive and inspiring!

Why would you not want to be a part of this selfless gift to our community?

Merry Christmas to you and yours!

Vivat Jesus!

Jeff

Tune into AM970 Catholic Radio (featuring the noon

## Ladies of the Knights Update

Shelly Maschler

Dear Ladies,

Thank you all for the support for our potato/chili bar. The variety and quality was awesome and so was the fellowship!

Upcoming events:

Christmas Party-Mike and Fran Hogan's house-December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 p.m.

Bake Sale-December 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>-Be at the Annex on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. to prepare items

Taco and Pancake free weekend to Parish-December 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>

Snowball and Silent Auction-February 4<sup>th</sup>

Fashion Show-March 31st

God Bless,

Shelly

## Tootsie Roll Report

By Jeff Maschler

The tootsie roll drive is complete. Yeah! Thanks to the selfless contributions of our council and community, we raised \$1751.81 in 26 2 hour shifts at

two stores over 4 weekends in November. Note the last two weekends, doorways were shared by Salvation Army.

Special thanks to all those who helped!

#### Key learnings:

- 1) WalMart requires at least 3 days advanced notice – and an agreement to be signed by somebody in authority.
- 2) Salvation Army Bell-ringers make minimum wage!
- 3) Salvation Army has made an agreement at each store to be exclusive money takers with priority.
- 4) We have 6 aprons and they are not part of the standard tootsie roll purchase.
- 5) We have a bunch of cans – long ones get heavier than short ones.
- 6) At one door, the Safeway does as well as Wal-Mart – about \$50/hr on a good day.
- 7) All grocery stores should be considered, movie theater and airport might be good places also.
- 8) Right after halloween you hear a lot of “we have a bag of those at home”

Note for next year – start planning this in July or August for September!

Thanks again and

VJ!

Jeff

## Christmas Party

Remember to reserve Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2:00pm in your schedule for our annual Christmas party. The Hogan’s will graciously host the party at their home, 8475 Kirk Dr. Black Forest. The Council provides turkey, stuffing and ham, while the partiers bring their favorite side dishes and desserts.

Please R.S.V.P (719) 495-0605 or [franhogan@msn.com](mailto:franhogan@msn.com).

Merry Christmas!

## Your Insurance Corner!

YOUR INSURANCE CORNER. Want to leave a legacy for your grandkids that won't cost you a lot of money? I have the answer. Call me at (719) 488-6816, or e-mail me at [balchus@aol.com](mailto:balchus@aol.com). I'm your council agent and friend Mike Balchus.

## Birthdays of December

1 Richard Scharer  
7 Richard Miller  
7 Terry O'Connell  
8 Robert Orosz  
15 Mike Vialpando

16 Gary Hutfles  
20 Michael Doherty  
26 George Smith  
28 John Ross  
29 Fr. Barton Geger

## Council Officers

Chaplain	Fr Michael Butler	4952351
Grand Knight	Jeff Maschler	495-8538
Dep. Grand Knight	John McGuire	495-3120
Chancellor	Jeff Kusman	599-8812
Advocate	Don Hardin	
Lecturer	Jimmy Stewart	488-9416
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Trustee	Rod McNeil	548-8440
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Trustee	Brian Livie	303-681-0378
1 <sup>st</sup> Year Trustee	Pedro Gonzales	683-6822

Financial Sec.	Dave Miller	495-0289
Treasurer	Gary Ware	633-6885
Recorder	Joe McGirr	599-8829
Warden	Osa Tuck	495-7277
1 <sup>st</sup> Inside Guard	Dick Slusser	494-1450
2 <sup>nd</sup> Inside Guard	Michael Kelly	
Outside Guard	Mike Pecora	495-9196
Insurance Agent	Mike Balchus	488-6816
District Deputy	Mike Hogan	495-0605

## Ladies Auxiliary Officers

**President** Shelly Maschler  
**Vice President** Jeanne McGuire  
**Secretary** Kathy Hanchett  
**Treasurer** Dana Ware

**Hospitality** Mary Jane Smith  
**Historian** Shirley Larouere , Mickey Cote  
**Past President** Jeannie McNeill

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### FRATERNAL CALENDAR

DECEMBER		
Date	Time	Activity
3	2:00P	Christmas Party Mike and Fran Hogan's House
9/10		Lady's Bake Sales Our Lady of the Pines
13	7:00P	Council/Ladies Auxiliary Meeting Our Lady of the Pines
16	5:00P	Taco Dinner - Team A Our Lady of the Pines Annex
17	7:00A	Pancake Breakfast – Team A Our Lady of the Pines Annex
20	7:00P	Fourth Degree-Assy #4636 Hall, Security

JANUARY		
Date	Time	Activity
4	7:00P	Semi-annual Audit
5-7		Fraternal Mid-year Meeting
10	7:00P	Council/Ladies Auxiliary Meeting Our Lady of the Pines
17	7:00P	Fourth Degree-Assy #4636 Hall, Security

