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Grand Knight's Message

Jeff Maschler

The Gift

From thefreedictionary.com, gift is defined as

1. Something that is bestowed voluntarily and without compensation.
 2. The act, right, or power of giving.
 3. A talent, endowment, aptitude, or inclination.
- And from the wikipedia – One of the most famous essays on this subject (Mauss) “focuses on the way that the exchange of objects between groups builds relationships between them. He argued that giving an object creates an inherent obligation on the receiver to reciprocate the gift. The resulting series of exchanges between groups thus provided one of the earliest forms of social solidarity used by humans.”

From this we see an inherent obligation on the receiver – but by definition – no expectations at all on the part of the giver.

What if there *is* an expectation of reciprocity on the part of the giver – is it still considered a gift? No – technically that is a “barter” or a deal.

I heard a story earlier this week about a remarkable billionaire – John Huntsman. “After seeing a very wealthy colleague who didn't donate much money die, Huntsman had another thought occur to him: There wasn't a dollar in the casket this guy could take with him. From that moment on, he has vowed to die broke and give away every penny of his fortune before he passes on.

John Huntsman started the Huntsman Cancer Institute after going through cancer treatment himself and thinking 'I can do this better'. The result of his vision was a truly out of the ordinary place for those suffering with cancer.” I encourage you to read more of his story [here](#).

With Christmas bills due, and birthdays quickly approaching, I've been thinking about my

giving lately. Is it really giving if I get my wife a new dishwasher for Christmas and expect to use it or get clean dishes from it? Is it really giving if we have a taco dinner night and expect some Form 100s signed? Is it really giving if I give my all for an event and expect even a single “Thank You”?

As we consider our Lenten sacrifice, maybe it is a good time to step back and reflect – “Why am I doing this?”

As Christians we are called to be His apostles and spread a message of selfless love. Our creator endowed us with gifts and does have just one expectation – that we follow his example and give these gifts freely. In the Bible we hear over and over the promise to those who give freely, and the warnings to those who can't give.

So the next time you look at our Savior hanging on that cross, consider the love, example and perfection of His selfless gift.

And consider your inherent obligation as receiver.

Vivat Jesus,
Jeff

Welcome to the Council

Chuck Warnement is a transferee from Houston, TX and was accepted into our council at the January meeting. He has graciously joined pancake team B and has already assisted with a pancake breakfast.

Get Involved

Get your name in the hat to become an officer. The term is for one year and the duties won't take too much time. Nominations for Council officers will be requested in April for elections in May. A

description for each officer position is posted on the Council's Yahoo website.

Thank You, Gentlemen

Osa Tuck, Jeff Kusman, Vic Villhard, Kevin Bornhoft, Roger Claman and John McGuire all volunteered to be 1st degree team members.

Time for a Membership Event

Members and families come enjoy pizza for FREE on March 1. Also, bring new candidates and their families. Look for emails for further information.

Clergy Appreciation Dinner

Jeff Maschler

Brother Knights,

Consider this another written invitation to attend the annual clergy appreciation dinner Monday Feb 25 2008 at Holy Apostles. Details of menu and cost will be sent at a later date.

To prepare for this event, we are collecting photos of our clergy with council or parish at <http://ph.groups.yahoo.com/group/kofc-11730/photos/browse/c3b6>

These photos will be inserted into a power point presentation and shown at the dinner.

If the link doesn't work, go to the bottom of <http://kofc-11730.org> and get yourself a free yahoo id.

VJ!
Jeff

Pancake Breakfast – Team B

Pierre Gaudreault 495-7359

I would like to thank Pancake Team B, members from other teams, the Ladies and other family members of brother knights for the excellent job they did at the pancake breakfast last Sunday.

Thanks to the hard work of everyone who participated, everything went great in spite of the absence of Tony and other team members. Leading

an activity is no trouble at all when you have such a wonderful group of people participating.

It was hard work, and I'm still trying to figure out how to keep eggs from turning green, but the fellowship is wonderful.

If anyone would like to join a cooking team, we have room for more.

This month, its Team Cs turn to put on the breakfast, so let's support our brothers in their effort.

V.J.
Pierre

Brothers and Relations in Need of Prayer:

Katherine Legere & her vocational discernment
Tony Marcotte (health)
American Soldiers, their families and their leadership
Widows
Mary Paquette (cancer free!)
Lewis Brown (health)
Mary Larson (cancer)
Tom (Jeff's best man battling cancer)
Deb Hoy (cancer complete remission)
Chongo Mestis (bypass surgery)
Leonore Misner (ankle infection)
Francis Billiard (health)
Regis Larouere
Parents who have lost children
Larry Kotik (recovering from blood clots in lungs)
Harold Hager (Dave Miller's uncle who passed away)
Bob Marcotte (Tony's Father who passed away)
Ann Brucker (Rod McNeill's sister)
Kurt Misner (thyroid surgery)
Jamie Fugate
Willie Corroo (health)
Bobby Royce
Mrs. James Paul (health)
Jim & Marian Finn (Jack Perroni's in-laws)
Roger Claman and his wife (pregnant)
Charlie Emborski (Bill's brother – cancer)
Beth Fire (Chuck's sister – stroke)
Ernest Carder (rehab after surgery)
Evelyn French's daughter who passed away

Council Officers

Chaplain	Fr Michael Butler	495-2351	Financial Sec.	Dave Miller	495-0289
Grand Knight	Jeff Maschler	495-8538	Treasurer	Gary Ware	633-6885
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Ladies Auxiliary Officers

President	Shelly Maschler	Hospitality	Mary Jane Smith
Vice President	Jeanne McGuire	Historian	Shirley Larouere , Mickey Cote
Secretary	Kathy Hanchett	Past President	Jeannie McNeill
Treasurer	Dana Ware		

Council Web Site: <http://kofc-11730.org>
State Web Site: <http://www.kofc-colorado.org>

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

FEBRUARY		
Date	Time	Activity
8	6:00P	Fish Fry Our Lady of the Pines
9	8:30P	Dist Free Throw Corpus Christi
20	7:00P	Fourth Degree-Assy #4636 Hall, Security
22	6:00P	Fish Fry Our Lady of the Pines
23	4:30P	Corporate Communion Our Lady of the Pines
23	5:00P	Taco Dinner – Team C Our Lady of the Pines
24	7:00A	Pancake Breakfast – Team C Our Lady of the Pines
25	7:00P	Clergy Appreciation Dinner Holy Apostles
27	7:00P	Council/Ladies Auxiliary Meeting Our Lady of the Pines

MARCH		
Date	Time	Activity
1	6:00P	Membership Drive/Free Pizza Our Lady of the Pines
17		Holy Week Begins
19	7:00P	Fourth Degree-Assy #4636 Hall, Security
23		He is Risen
29	5:00P	Taco Dinner – Team A Our Lady of the Pines
30	7:00A	Pancake Breakfast – Team A Our Lady of the Pines