



Council of Palms

Lenexa, Kansas – Council 6673

NOVEMBER – 2009

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Membership

Our Council inducted twelve new members into the First Degree at our regular meeting, October 13th. About 50 regular members were present to welcome the new members into our Council. Thank you to the First Degree team for a great ceremony, and thanks to John Cyphert for coordinating the event.

Membership retention and recruitment continues as a high priority. Officers recently contacted by mail and also by telephone a number of members who are delinquent on their dues. If you have not paid your dues for 2009, please bring a check to the next meeting, November 10th or send a check to the Eric Strathman, our Financial Secretary.

If you have not attended a meeting recently Grand Knight, Steve McGuire, and all of the officers invite you to join us November 10th at 7:00 PM. Our Council is an important force at Holy Trinity Parish and our meetings are usually are attended by 45 to 60 Catholic Men who volunteer their time and talent to make a difference. The November meeting is pivotal since it is the last meeting of 2009 and sets the tone for 2010.

Holy Trinity Hosts 2nd & 3rd Degree

On Wednesday, October 28th our council sponsored a 2nd and 3rd degree exemplification at Holy Trinity which was attended by twenty-five candidates, all from the Johnson County area.



Knight of the Month – September

Spencer Dumm was selected as Knight of the Month for September, 2009. Spencer is our indefatigable Inside Guard for all of our meetings, and he helped with several projects including selling raffle tickets, the coat drive, etc. Thanks, Spencer, for your enthusiasm and your everlasting smile. Keep up the great work.



Spencer Dumm, Sept. Knight of the Month

Schedule of Upcoming Council Activities

Nov. 14	Fourth Degree Exemp.
Nov. 21/22	Turkey Drive
Nov. 22	Donuts&Coffee9:30Mass
Dec. 5/6	Toy Drive

Knights Christmas Party

Spouses and Children and all Knights should plan to attend the December 12 Christmas Party, beginning after the 5:00 PM Mass. A great meal will be served and Santa will make his perennial appearance. This event is free and has been a blast for every attendee for the past several years. Plan to attend.

November 22nd--Holy Trinity Parish

Monthly Coffee Meet & Greet

Please come and join your K of C Brothers for coffee, orange juice, and donuts! Gerardo Lopez is coordinating a monthly Knights of Columbus sponsored social for all Holy Trinity parishioners in the Social Room after the 9:30 AM Mass for goodwill and exposure.

K of C Football Raffle

Wow! What a tremendously successful Football Raffle produced and directed by Mike Crosthwait. **A record number of tickets were sold. Many thanks to Mike for his hard work!**



Mike Crosthwait

Knights Help Raise \$27,000.00!

Mike's report:

Sixty-Six of our Knights sold a record 1171 tickets this year. Forty Knights sold at least 10, and fifteen sold more than 20. The 4th Degree Knights sold 134 tickets raising over \$2,000.00 for their Council. After expenses of \$9,000.00, we deposited \$20,419.00 to our Council 6673 bank account.

The drawings held after each Mass helped drive interest too. We had 15 instant winners of free raffle tickets. Thanks to all of you who helped with sales after Mass.

Special thanks to these Knights who sold LOTS of tickets! Bill McKibben (64) Toney Wallace (59) Steve Humphreys (53) Roger Lawrence (51) Jesse Luck-Smith (33) Harry McAleavy (28) and Mike White (28).

Thank you to Gerardo Lopez for selling tickets on-line, and for posting winners every week on our Knights web page www.htknights.org.

Fourth Degree In Shawnee, KS

A Fourth Degree Exemplification will take place at Good Shepherd Church on November 14th. Candidates should arrive at about 12:00 or 12:30 and the ceremony will begin at 1:30 PM. The cost is \$70.00. You must already have completed your 3rd degree. This is a rare opportunity to achieve the ultimate degree in the Knights of Columbus at a location literally right next door to Holy Trinity Parish. For more information contact **STEVE ABELS, 381-2025**.

Tootsie Roll Drive

"You never stood so tall as when you stoop to help a child"- Author Unknown

The Tootsie Roll Drive held over the past two week-ends was a huge success thanks to Kim Bienhoff and his band of willing volunteers who staffed the various locations around Lenexa and at Holy Trinity Church. Benefits from the worthwhile project will support Special Olympics and other child based charities our council will select. The Tootsie Roll donation amount and beneficiaries will be reported at the November meeting. Again, we send out a warm thank you all the volunteers.

Used Toy Drive

Doug Leikum will again chair the used toy drive at Holy Trinity Church after all Masses on Saturday and Sunday, December 5th and 6th. This worthwhile project collects used and new toys for donation to Johnson County charities. Come to the November meeting for a complete repost.

The next council meeting will be on Tuesday, November 10th 7:00 p.m. in the Social Room. A First Degree Initiation will be held before the regular meeting. Anyone wanting to join should be there by 6:15pm. Come join 50 of your closest friends.