



Knights of Columbus

Holy Family Council 8948



Grand Knight: John Peralta 989 685-3032

December 2009

Financial Secretary: John Muenz (989) 343-2454



Former District Deputies Bob Hickey and his wife JoAnn and Pat Copland and his wife Carol were our guests at the Venison Stew Dinner November 13. It was good to see both of you and we hope you enjoyed your dinner and went back for seconds. Thanks for coming and for your service.

Venison Stew Dinner

Fr. Patrick pronounced the venison stew "superb." Then he rolled up his sleeves and helped bus tables the rest of the night. God Bless you.

A big thank you to our Youth Group and the Boy Scouts who helped keep the coffee cups filled. You did a great job and helped make this annual event a success.



- 3rd: #5022 10/22 Ruger, Kathy Miner, West Branch, Michigan.
- 4th: #5222 Traditions Pursuit Muzzleloader, Tom Pershon, West Branch, Michigan
- 5th: #6630 \$150 cash, Ron Quackenbush, Rose City, Michigan.
- 6th: #1138 \$125 cash, Bonnie Kihn, Lupton, Michigan.
- 7th: #4547 Hunting lantern, David Hendry, Flushing, Michigan.
- 8th: #0048 Hunting knife, Mike Snider, Prescott, Michigan.

Congratulations



Rifle Raffle Winners

- 1st: #4191 270 Remington, John Crayne, Toledo, Ohio.
- 2nd: #529 870 Remington, Jeff Parliament, West Branch, Michigan.

Calendar of Events

November

- 24th Work Bee 2 PM: Set up manger figures, string lights on trees in front of hall.
- 29th Corporate Communion:
Rosary 8:30 AM, Mass 9 AM

December

- 2nd + Blood Drive 1 - 6:45 PM
Independent Bank - Rose City
- 4th Mass before Food Truck
Food Truck 1 PM -- Workers at 10:30 AM
- 6th First Sunday Presentation after Mass in the hall
- 7th Social Night 7 PM
- 9th District Meeting: parish hall
6:30 PM
- 10-13th Poker Night Fund Raiser
- 11th ARC Christmas Party 6 PM,
- 12-13th Membership Blitz
set up at 5 PM
- 21st Food Basket Distribution
4 -- 6 PM, parish hall
Business meeting 7 PM
- 29th Work Bee -- parish grounds

January

- 4th Social Night 7 PM
- 13th Audit Review: parish hall 3 PM
- 18th Business meeting 7 PM
- 31st Corporate Communion
Rosary 8:30 AM -- Mass 9 AM



Hazel Peralta, wife of Grand Knight John sells 50/50 tickets at the venison dinner.

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**Grand Knight's
Comments**



Council Officers

Chaplain	Fr. Miro Wiese, OFM	989 345-3422
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Financial Secretary	John Muenz	989 343-2454
Warden	Mike Peters	989 473-2924
Advocate	Vern Neubecker	989 345-2051
Recorder	Joe Hintz	989 345-3060
Treasurer	Irvin Booms	989 473-3090
Inside Guard	Bill Hool	989 473-4865
Outside Guard	Joseph Lamothe	989 685-2648
3 Year Trustee	Gerry Zupan	989 345-0285
2 Year Trustee	Ralph Schnautz	989 345-3755
1 Year Trustee	Bill Burnham	989 685-3147
District Deputy	Jim Szafran	989 257-5313
Insurance Representative	Steve Gapinski	231 546-3289

Council Committees

Program Director	Greg Tabaka	517 304-3936
Church Director	Frank Hacht	989 345-0285
Vocations Chairman	Richard Mc Cleary	989 473-2482
Community Director	Dale Teeples	989 685-2476
Pro-Life Couple	Don & Carla Fritz	989 685-2650
Public Relations	Tony Brent	989 343-0401
Family Director	Joe Oswald	989 345-9964
Hours Coordinator	Glen Painter	989 685-2238
Youth Director	Richard Dooley	989 685-2594
Membership Director	Douglas Goulette	989 685-3863
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Member	Joe Hintz	989 345-3060
Member	Richard McCleary	989 473-2482
Member	Paul Gotter	989 685-3527
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Christopher Land Committee

President	Joe Hintz	989 345-3060
Vice President	Vern Neubecker	989 345-2051
Treasurer	Don Fritz	989 685-2650
Secretary	Ralph Schnautz	989 345-3755

Monthly Meetings

Business	3rd Monday	7 PM
Social	1st Monday	7 PM
Officers	3rd Monday	6 PM
Work Bee	Last Tuesday	4 PM

Brother Knights

Thank you to the men in Christ who did their share in selling raffle tickets this year. The raffle ticket sales were our biggest fund raiser of the year, and, as you know, our funds are very low. Approximately 750 raffle tickets were unsold. We could have used more men to sell these tickets. A small handful of men did more than one or two shifts. They worked many shifts many days to try and make up for all who could not (bless the sick and disabled).

Please include in your prayers those who would not spare any time to help support our council. Pray for them that they will find it in their hearts to share more of themselves and be more giving of time to support our council.

I am also grateful for the men who worked hard all week in the kitchen and parish hall getting prepared for our venison stew dinner. I am grateful for the folks who ran errands for supplies, put up signs, helped set up. These things all had to be done before we could open on Friday, November 13 at 5:00.

I would also like to say another thanks to the people who helped at the venison dinner for serving, selling 50-50 tickets, the CCW serving at the dessert table, the Boy Scouts who served coffee from carts, the Youth Group, and Fr. Patrick for busing tables. OH! Thank you clean-up crew for working late.

Frenchy made a special contribution of his wonderful arts and crafts. Proceeds from Frenchy's art went to vocations. What a generous gift. Thank you so much.

Our Worthy District Deputy Jim Szafran and his wife attended our venison stew dinner. The dinner was praised by many and considered a grand event.

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**Please pray for those who are
sick or in distress:**

Ron Thomas
Harry Biermann
Elmer O' Farrell
Becky Goulette
Chuck Rank
Felicia Tabaka

Service Programs



Church: Work Bee on Nov. 24 at 2 PM. We will set up the manger scene, move furniture in the rectory, and hang Christmas lights on the trees in front of the hall.

Council: Corporate Communion on Nov. 29. Rosary before Mass at 8:30 AM. You guys did a bang up job on the stew dinner. ARC Christmas Party on Dec. 11: workers here at 5 PM. Poker Night Dec. 10-13: need volunteers for this fundraiser. The District Meeting will be in our hall on Dec. 9 at 6:30 PM; we need a crew for this too.

Membership: There is the prospect of a new member.

Food Truck: The last Food Truck of the year is Dec. 4. Prayer service at 9 AM, setup and distribution afterward. We will have C.O.R.E. to help us but the high school program has been disbanded so we won't have those fine young people to help us. Christmas Food Baskets will be distributed Dec. 21 4-6 PM. Our budget for the year will be almost completely expended as promised.

Family: The Knight of the Month for November, 2009 is Greg Tabaka. Family of the Month for November, 2009 is Bill and Josie Burnahm, who celebrated their 50th Anniversary on Nov. 7. Congratulations.

Volunteer Hours: Please get them in to Deacon Glen at 685-2238.

Grand Knight, continued

As part of our Neighbors Helping Neighbors Service Together effort Gerry Zupan, Dale Teeples, and Joe Hintz last year began an event called Lighting Up for Christ, which is a tree lighting ceremony. I would like to see this an annual event for Holy Family Council 8948.

Our Neighbors Helping Neighbors food drive received food and money which will help feed our neighbors in need this holiday season. Help put Christ back into Christmas. Happy Thanksgiving to all brother Knights and God bless you and your families this holiday season.

Grand Knight John Peralla

District Deputy's Remarks

Vivat Jesus



I can't get over how active this council is. I brought Advocate Gene Dow along with me. The stew dinner was absolutely excellent and I was pleased to see the number of people who attended. My compliments to the chef.

There is a First Degree in Hale in a couple of weeks If you have a new member call me. Be sure to narrate your Food Truck video. This is what the Knights are all about, this council right here. You're non-stop, you are always doing something.

The District meeting will be here. I will publish it and get a head count for you. The Clergy Night was a good success. Here is a new one: First Degree Certification. We want to get each council certified as soon as possible by the District Deputy.

Hosting a poker room is a good way to generate funds for your council. Our council did one and took in a good amount, but you have to be there. They cannot have it without your participation.

I'm happy to see the round table information. Remember the Corporate Communion on November 29. Are you going to have the Fourth Degree involved? Think about it.

Happy Thanksgiving to everybody.



Knight of the Month

The Knight of the Month for November, 2009 is Greg Tabaka. It is a privilege to present this recognition to Greg Tabaka for his involvement with the Knights of Columbus. Greg is our current Deputy Grand Knight and Program Director. Greg accompanied me on my first district meeting and we had a lot of fun with John. If I ever need gardening advice I know who to turn to. It is a pleasure for me to award Greg our Knight of the Month for November. *Joe*

Oswald -- Family Director

Deacon Glen

The Bishop's final Mass as Bishop of Gaylord last Sunday was very well attended. Bishop Cooney received commendations from the Mayor of Gaylord, the State of Michigan, and Pope Benedict XVI, which were read at the conclusion of Mass.

The Mass schedule for Holy Days was established at our Parish Cluster meeting. The Vigil Mass will be at Holy Family at 7 PM. The Mass on the Holy Day will be at St. Stephen's at 9 AM and at St. Joseph at 7 PM.

Our new parish secretary is Gail Gotter. I would like some volunteers to help move furniture in the rectory and get her office set up.

A Prayer for Vocations

O God, who wishes all people to be saved, touch with grace the hearts of many young men and women, moving them to offer themselves as candidates for the priesthood and religious life. Inspire fathers and mothers and all members of Christian families to become aware of the great need for religious vocations. Endow all people with reverence for these sacred callings that they may encourage many to serve God and mankind in the ranks of religion. These blessings we ask through Christ Our Lord. Amen

Please pray for our men and women in service to our country and for their families

Anthony McKinnon
SPC Stephen Muenz
(Fort Campbell, KY)
SGT Nathan Neubecker
PFC Scott Evens
PFC Sabrina Evens
DC 3 Tyson Dziurman USN
CPL Seth Allard
Wade Miller SAFU
Stacy Miller USAF
Michael O' Farrell National Guard
Bill Strawsine: USN

Write to them often. Letters from home mean so much. Ask them if they have a buddy who doesn't get much mail, and write to him too.

PRIESTS, BROTHERS, NUNS

**They need us,
We need them**

Vocations are everybody's business

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Family of the Month

The Family of the Month for November, 2009 is Bill and Josephine Burnham.

Bill is a past Grand Knight of our council and is now a Trustee and the Membership Director for our council.

Bill is a Eucharistic Minister and Greeter for our church.

Bill participates in the Venison Stew dinner, the Rifle Raffle, Right to Life, ARC Christmas Party, Food Truck distributions, Maple Syrup festival, work bees, road cleanup, and Tootsie Roll drive.



Happy 50th Anniversary Bill & Josie



Bill has been married to his lovely wife Josephine for 50 years. They celebrated their 50th Anniversary on November 7.

Bill and Josephine have three children and three grandsons.

Bill and Josephine are a blessing to our council and it is my pleasure to award them the Family of the Month for our council.

Joe Oswald -- Family Director

