



# Knights of Columbus

## Holy Family Council 8948



Grand Knight: John Peralta (989)685-3032    January 2010    Financial Secretary: John Muenz (989) 343-2454



Our friends from ARC joined us again this year for their annual spaghetti dinner and a visit with man in the red suit from the North Pole. Did we mention dancing? There was dancing – all night long! Merry Christmas from Council 8948.

### Rest In Peace

Chuck Rank, brother Knight of Holy Family Council 8948 and Michigan Region II Tree Farmer of the Year for 2004, died November 26, 2009.

Robert Linseman, member of West Branch Council 2022 and 4<sup>th</sup> Degree West Branch All Saints Assembly 1745 passed away December 19, 2009.

Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord.

May he rest in peace.

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Amen

### A Note from Fr. Miro

November 27, 2009

Dear Knights of the 8948 Council

I hope you had a good turnout for your Venison and Beef dinner. I want to thank you for the check you sent me from your silent auction. I hope to see you all up at the Cross in the Woods National Shrine some time.

I will use the money to get a new habit. The one I have was too long and I tripped on it a couple of times. So I had it shortened. Now it is too short.

So you might say you did a good work of mercy like feeding the hungry, etc. You helped clothe the naked, so now with my new habit you won't see my shins and about 12 inches of my legs. So keep up your good work.

God bless you and all your projects.

God love you all,

*Fr. Miro D. Wiese O.F.M*

### Calendar of EventsJ

#### December 2009

29<sup>th</sup> Work Bee: 1 PM in church to repair and reupholster pews

#### January 2010

1<sup>st</sup> BVM Mother of God: Holy Day, New Years Day

4<sup>th</sup> No Social Night

13<sup>th</sup> Audit review: 3 PM in parish hall

18<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting 7 PM

22<sup>nd</sup> Day of Penance for violations to the Dignity of the Human Person

26<sup>th</sup> Work Bee

31<sup>st</sup> Corporate Communion:  
Rosary at 8:30 AM  
Mass at 9 AM

#### February

1<sup>st</sup> No Social Night

15<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting 7 PM

17<sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday: Lent begins

23<sup>rd</sup><sup>th</sup> Work Bee

#### March

1<sup>st</sup> Social Night 7 PM

15<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting 7 PM

19<sup>th</sup> Food Truck

25<sup>th</sup> International Day of the Unborn Child

28<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday

30<sup>th</sup> Work Bee

#### April

5<sup>st</sup> Social Night 7 PM

19<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting 7 PM

22<sup>nd</sup> MDOT Road Cleanup 4 PM

27<sup>th</sup> Work Bee 4 PM



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**Grand Knight's  
 Comments**



<b>Council Officers</b>		
Chaplain	Fr. Patrick Maher	989 345-3422
Grand Knight	John Peralta	989 685-3032
Deputy Grand Knight	Greg Tabaka	517 304-3936
Chancellor	John Florian	989 685-3465
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
1 Year Trustee	Frank Hacht	989 345-0285
2 Year Trustee	Ralph Schnautz	989 345-3755
3 Year Trustee	Bill Burnham	989 685-3147
District Deputy	Jim Szafran	989 257-5313
Insurance Representative	Steve Gapinski	231 546-3289
<b>Council Committees</b>		
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
Advertising Chairman	Joe Oswald	989 345-9964
Family Director	Joe Oswald	989 345-9964
Hours Coordinator	Glen Painter	989 685-2238
Youth Director	Richard Dooley	989 685-2594
Membership Director	Doug Goulette	989 685-3863
Retention Committee		
Chairman	Bill Burnham	989 685-3147
Member	Joe Hintz	989 345-3060
Member	Richard Mc Cleary	989 473-2482
Member	Paul Gotter	989 685-3527
Insurance Representative	Robert Blasius	989 732-9690
Newsletter Editor	Tony Brent	989 343-0401
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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
<b>Monthly Meetings</b>		
Business	3rd Monday	7 PM
Social	1st Monday	7 PM
Officers	3rd Monday	6 PM
Work Bee	Last Tuesday	4 PM

Our Grand Knight is down walking the streets of Laredo over the holidays. We see by his outfit that he is a cowboy. If we had outfits we could be cowboys too. Merry Christmas to John and his family from Council 8948

In his absence the Deputy Grand Knight chaired the December business meeting and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

The Poker Room was successful and generated a good income for the Council. Many thanks to Joe Oswald for suggesting this opportunity and for stepping up and making it happen. Well done, Joe.

We had a big turnout for the December Food Truck and got food to all. A big thank you to the C.O.O.R. Folks for their help. We appreciate it very much.

The Venison Stew Dinner was also very successful. Thank you to Joe Hintz for all the hard work he put in, and to the cooks and prep staff for what Fr. Patrick called "superb" stew.

Our best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for you and your families.

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

Anthony McKinnon  
 SPC Stephen Muenz  
 SGT Nathan Neubecker  
 PFC Scott Evens  
 PFC Sabrina Evens  
 DC3 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 them too.

## Service Programs



**Church:** There are five pews in church that need some repair and reupholstering at the Work Bee on December 29. We will begin at 1 PM.

**Membership:** We weren't able to talk to the men at St. Stephen's as planned. We will have to try again another time.

**Food Truck:** We had a lot of people come for food at our last distribution. Thank you all for your help. Our Food Truck Chairman will be resigning next year so we will need a replacement for him. He will help with the March and June Food Trucks to help the new chairman learn the ropes. It's not hard because thanks to all our outgoing chairman's hard work it practically runs itself now. Please step up and volunteer if you can.

**Youth:** The Rose City Tree Lighting went pretty well with 115 kids on hand. The Rose City ushered in Santa Claus to a whole bunch of kids in a kind of organized mayhem. The next event will be the Snow Box Race on the first Sunday in February. We will need volunteers for that event. See Rich Dooley if you can help.

**Council:** The Knight of the Month for December, 2009, is Tony Brent. The Family of the Month for December, 2009, is Eric and Louise Strawsine. Congratulations.

We will need a new chairman for the Rifle Raffle next year. We are also looking for a new Financial Secretary. Please consider filling one of these positions.

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

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

Stan Souva family: auto accident  
Elmer O' Farrell  
Roy & Illa Kenworthy  
Marge Rank and family  
Ed Coha  
Don Lehman of Council 2022

## Knight of the Month

*from the desk of Joe Oswald*  
*KofC Council 8948 Family Director*

Our Knight of the Month for December, 2009, is Tony Brent.

Tony is very active in the church. He is an altar server, lector, and Eucharistic Minister. He also helps during funeral masses.

Tony is the council's photographer as well as taking photos for the church functions. Tony has the ability to capture the beauty of all he sees, both inside and out.

Tony is also the editor of our council's newsletter. He does a wonderful job.

Tony is a blessing to our council. Keep up the great work!

## Family of the Month

*from the desk of Joe Oswald*  
*KofC Council 8948 Family Director*

The Family of the Month for December, 2009, is Eric and Louise Strawsine.

Eric and Louise have been very active in our church, council, and community. Eric and Louise are greeters at church and they both help at most all of the functions our council is involved with.

Eric has been the Family Director for our council and is currently our Youth Director.

Eric and Louise celebrated 27 years of wedded bliss, though it is short of the 300 Eric is feeling. They have two sons, Benjamin and William, as well as three furry little children to share their company with.

Eric and Louise are truly a blessing to our church, community, and council, and well deserving to be names Family of the Month for our council.

## Deacon Glen's Remarks

I have some updates from the diocese.

Our new bishop will hold meetings with the priests and then the deacons on January 5.

Thank you guys for moving the furniture in the rectory and getting our new parish secretary's office set up.

Father Patrick is very busy serving three parishes and he needs our support. He is a breath of fresh air.

You and the CCW serve the parish with your programs. Remain united in charity.

May you all have a Holy and Happy Christmas.



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