



Knights of Columbus

Holy Family Council 8948



Grand Knight: John Peralta 989 685-3032

November 2009

Financial Secretary: John Muenz (989) 343-2454



Knights of Council 8948, spouses, and fellow parishioners gathered at M-33 and Peters Road to pray the Life Chain vigil in solidarity with our Brother Knights across the country to declare publicly the sanctity of all human life from conception to natural death.

Food Truck

The next Food Truck day is Friday, December 4. Meet in Church for Mass, and then to the hall to set up. The distribution begins at 1 PM.

There is enough left in the Food Truck funds for us to purchase 15 to 20 Christmas baskets for needy people. If you know someone in need please let Paul know at 85-3527.

We will try to accommodate people from our own parish first, and then give out what we have left to people referred to us by Irma.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Drop boxes are at the entrances to church. Your gifts of packaged food will be appreciated. You can also make a cash gift to the Knights of Columbus.

Cross in the Woods National Shrine is also in need of donations to make needed restorations and renovations. Fr. Miro is there now. Please keep this cause in mind.

Deacon Glen

There will be a Farewell Mass for Bishop Cooney on Sunday, November 8 at 4 PM. He celebrates 20 years as a Bishop and 50 years as a priest. Bishop Hebna will be installed as the next Bishop of the Diocese of Gaylord on December 1.

October 25 is Priesthood Sunday in this Year of the Priest. All of the parishioners will be able to offer a Blessing prayer for Fr. Patrick at the end of Mass.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Living Rosary last Sunday. It was video taped for Fr. Patrick. I really appreciate your work in the rectory. We will use the rectory for lots of parish and catechetical activities.

There is a Parish Council meeting this week. If you have agenda items please give them to Glen. Deadline for Bulletin items is Monday. Submit them to Vicki at St. Joseph parish office.

Calendar of Events

October

27th Work Bee: Parish Grounds: Set up stable for Christmas creche.

November

- 1st First Sunday presentation: parish hall after Mass
- 2nd Social Meeting 7 PM
- 3rd Presentation on Catholic Burial practices: 2 speakers. We need your help to set up tables and chairs at 6:30 PM
- 4th Clergy Appreciation Night: Harrisville - St. Ann's Parish hall
- 6th Rifle Raffle ticket sales begin; Rose City & West Branch Glen's
- 9th-12th Venison Dinner preparation
- 13th Venison Stew dinner: 5-8 PM
- 16th Business Meeting 7 PM
- 24th Work Bee: Parish grounds
- 29th Corporate Communion: Rosary 8:30 AM, Mass 9 AM

December

- 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
- 11th ARC Christmas Party 6 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

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**Grand Knight's
Comments**



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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

“A Call to Arms”

Gentlemen, we at Council 8948 are presently at war. We are fighting for our financial life.

We need your immediate help! Before you say “I can’t,” we are not asking for your money; we are asking for your help. The projects that we are currently being requested to perform are labor intensive and the labor cost is beyond our means.

Brother Knights, we are asking you to now step up and serve your Lord and your parish. In order to keep our parish doors open we must help Father Patrick operate this parish under budget.

What it boils down to, Brothers, is providing our labor to maintain our parish buildings and grounds.

Every Brother Knight is *Good* at something and even better at other things. A few hours keeping the Lord’s house in good and safe repair should not be a burden for any good Catholic man.

We need you guys now. Please make time in your lives for a few hours of help for your Lord. Jesus gave his life for us; now let’s do a few hours for him.

We need all our members to step up and attend our monthly meetings, to give us your ideas and your skills, or just your labor capabilities. Every man has something to offer.

Fraternally,
Grand Knight
John Peralta

Deputy Grand Knight
Greg Tabaka

P.S. The Lord has given us 8,760 hours a year. Surely we can spare 12 hours a year attending meetings to help him

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

Ron Thomas
Harry Biermann
Elmer O’ Farrell
Roy & Illa Kenworthy
Chuck & Marge Rank

Service Programs



Brother Knights,

September 25th the Food Truck was a great success. We counted 262 families that received boxes of food. We had a prayer service before distribution of the food. The truck arrived early and with all the help we had organizing we were able to open the food bank 15 minutes early and had distributed all the food in less than an hour.

September 29th the Work Bee went well. Six Knights came and broke into teams. The carpet in the rectory was removed, and throughout the month other maintenance duties have been accomplished by 3 or 4 Knights. They have cleaned the garage, moved things to the basement, reglazed two of the church windows, moved bulletin boards, and helped Fr. Miro remove his things from the rectory.

October 4th the Life Chain went well but attendance was down from last year. We had 28 show up to support our pro life stand against abortion. The Pregnancy center in West Branch could also use monetary support for our unborn who need a chance at life. Every little bit helps when it comes to saving one of the precious little ones.

October 9,10, and 11 the Tootsie Roll drive went OK. We had only 74.5 volunteer hours. We could have used twice the help. 18 Knights and 3 ladies collected 1092.80. Thank you to all that helped. You know who you are.

October we had a Living Rosary after Mass. 18 Knights were in attendance. The Youth Group participated and it was a beautiful experience.

Upcoming Events

November 4th. Don't forget Clergy Night in Harrisville with Council 4235. We need a count A.S.A.P. to assure everyone who wishes to attend has a seat. Dinner is approximately \$16.00 per person.

Rifle Raffle Ticket Sales Volunteers needed. See Bill Burnham or Joe Hintz if you can help.

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District Deputy's Remarks

Vivat Jesus



It's nice to be back. You are a good council.

The Alcona Council will be hosting Clergy Night. They need a head count by October 23. They will serve good local smoked meat in a catered dinner. The meal will be good and the company will be great.

We need to appreciate our clergy and religious. We have 7 seminarians right now, 2 from Tawas and one from Alcona.

The Program Title list has been revised to include Right to Life among the Service Programs. They are: Council, Community, Church, Family, Youth Right to Life, and Membership.

Oscoda Council 5083 will host a First Degree on Saturday, October 24 at 11 AM.

The Food Pantry Drive Neighbors Helping Neighbors is upcoming. What are your plans? You ought to push this. I told people about your Food Truck program coming up again on December 4th. Why don't you shoot a video of your next Food Truck. It would show that the Knights of Columbus really care. The K of C was founded to care for the widows and children of deceased members. We reach beyond that as Knights. Your video could be made available to any council that wants to host their own Food Truck. One quarter of the food given out in this county from the Eastern Michigan Food Bank is from your Food Truck days. How many more hearts might be touched?

We're still waiting to hear from the State about our Insurance Agent. If you have questions or need insurance help see the District Deputy.

Thank You.

Programs, continued

November 9 through 12 we need help to prepare for the venison dinner. The work is not hard and the guys have a lot of fun. Come one, come all, you brave Iron Chefs!

December 10,11,12, and 13 are the Texas Hold'em Poker. Joe Oswald has the sign up sheet.

The Honey-Do fund raiser is almost set
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Programs, continued

up. Tickets will go on sale as soon as we can get them printed.

Our next Work Bee will be October 27 at 4 PM. We will meet at the church hall.

Do not forget sweat shirts in XL to XXL.

Thank you my brothers in Christ.

Grand Knight

John Peralta

Knight of the Month

Our Knight of the Month for October, 2009 is Gerald Zupan.

Gerald is a current Trustee of our council, a past Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight. Gerald participates in many of the Knights functions and you can find him at Work Bees, ARC Christmas Party, Rifle Raffle, Tootsie Roll Drive, Food Truck distributions, Venison Stew Dinner and the Maple Syrup festival.

He participates in all aspects of our council and church. We had a wonderful time at the K of C Picnics that were held at his place, and his hay rides have become legendary.

Gerald has been a Knight for 45 years and has 3 children, 18 grandchildren, and 6 great grand children.

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

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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Gerald Zupan
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Family of the Month

Our family of the Month for October, 2009 is Richard and Jannette McCleary.

Richard and Jannette are both very active in the church, Richard is a collector, and both he and Jannette are Greeters, Eucharistic Ministers, and collection counters.

Richard is very involved in the Council and is our current Vocations Chairman and is a member of the Retention Committee. He has served as a Treasurer, Recorder, Trustee, and Chancellor.

Richard and Jannette both participate in many of the Knights functions, and you can find them at Work Bees, ARC Christmas Party, Rifle Raffle, Tootsie Roll Drive and Food Truck distributions.

Besides having donuts with us at the beginning of the month you can also find them eating at the Mother--Daughter Breakfast, Venison Stew Dinner, and the Maple Syrup festival.

They are both an inspiration to our church and community.