

The Grail

Monthly Newsletter of:

FEBRUARY 2012



Knights of Columbus Emerald Coast Council #11893



DATES TO REMEMBER:

FEBRUARY MEETING - Tuesday Feb. 21st - St. Rita Parish Hall

Officers - 5:30 PM Dine - 6:30 PM

General Membership - 7:00 PM

FISH FRIES:

Friday February 24th Corpus Christi (American Legion Hall)



FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP:

Saturday February 11 (District) 10 AM Niceville High School

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| John Cummings | Feb 2012 |
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Minutes of the Meeting - January 17, 2012 - Resurrection

Members present - 22

The meeting began with opening prayers, pledge of allegiance to the flag and roll call of officers. The "New Business" report from the previous meeting was read. It and the balance of the minutes in the January newsletter were accepted as printed. New transfer, Brother Andrew Stevenson was welcomed to the Council. Andrew is an active military member of the Air Force stationed at Hurlburt Field. His wife is also active AF stationed in Panama City.

GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT:

GK Colletta stated that last year there were Round Table coordinators named but nothing was actually done to implement the communications. Our goal is to continue to strengthen ties with our three parishes but more coordination and communication is needed. New coordinators will be named and the Round Tables established.

Forms were passed around to members so that "Survey of Fraternal Activities" could be completed. In addition, a sign up sheet for the next fish fry was also sent around.

The GK mentioned that delegates for the State Convention were being solicited. A delegate must be a 3rd Degree member.

GK John read communications from SOLT requesting a donation. A determination will be made to decide if this can come out of our budgeted "vocations" fund.

We received a letter requesting our participation in the Knights of Mercy program. The first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Divine Mercy. An icon will be circulating around to different churches - the program is highly endorsed by Supreme.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT:

Father Tom was unable to attend the meeting and will be tied up on Tuesday nights for several months.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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| Beginning balance: | \$ 8,436.30 |
| Receipts: | \$ 553.00 |
| Expenses: | \$ 546.00 |
| Balance: Jan. 17 | \$ 8,443.30 |

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Brother Tom Fears reported that two additional members paid their dues out of our 142 total. He

extended his thanks and appreciation to all who helped at the fish fry, particularly his cooking crew.

AUDITORS/TRUSTEES REPORT:

No report - Trustees to audit the year end report at the end of this month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

"Church Activity" - none

"Youth Activity" Program Director Tim Kersanac reported that our Council "Free Throw Championship" has been changed to Friday night Jan. 20 at the United Methodist Church Life Center on Beach Dr., Destin. Hot dogs and drinks will be given to the participants. Brother Tim said that he will need 7 or 8 Brothers to help out between 6 - 8 PM. Winners will go to the District contest Feb. 11 at Niceville High School. Winners there will compete at the Regional contest on Sat. Feb. 18 at Milton High School.

"Community Activities" - no report

"Fund Raising" Program Director Chris Pierce asked for dates in February & March for the various parish Tootsie Roll drives. St. Rita will kick it off with one the weekend of Feb. 11 and 12 at all Masses. Brother Joe Colello will coordinate. Brother Chris is looking for a coordinator at Resurrection and Corpus Christi. GK John said tootsie rolls have been ordered but may not be here in time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Brother Tom Fears again thanked all for the help with the fish fry. We had approximately 220 people show up. Income was \$2210.50 and expense amounted to \$2080.00. Although very little profit was realized Tom said that there was enough non perishable food and supplies left over to cut expenses for the next fry by several hundred dollars. The next "fry" will be Jan. 27 at the American Legion. He welcomed more help and the obvious chance for comradery among brother Knights.

NEW BUSINESS:

Due to prior commitments, our Warden Bob Eonta has resigned. Brother Joe Biscione conducted a nomination and election for a new Warden with Brother Vern Dangel being unanimously elected. Congratulations Brother Vern!

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT:

DD Joe Purka noted that we had two candidates for 1st Degree and encouraged us to check the schedule and notify he and the GK at the chosen Council.

DD Purka went over the District and Regional Free Throw Championship dates noted previously and Degree dates which are noted below on this page. He reminded that Survey of Fraternal Activities report was due this month. He said that starting in February or March, all reports must be submitted online. Duplicate and triplicate copies where necessary will be distributed through the computer.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Lector Jerry Pohlen read a letter of thanks for contributions to the Special Olympics and mentioned how happy and responsive each of the recipients were of the donations

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Pope Benedict, Bishop John Ricard, Brother Bob Borella, Brother Bill Daw, Marge Quast, Jeanne Biscione and all Brothers and family members who may be ill.

May the souls of all our faithfully departed members rest in peace. Amen.

Final prayers were said and the meeting closed by Grand Knight Colletta.



NEXT MEETING:

February 21st

ST. RITA

DEGREE SCHEDULE

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| 1st Degree | Feb. 1 | #4444 | Ft. Walton Beach |
| 2nd Degree | Feb. 26 | #7968 | Crestview |
| 1st Degree | March 7 | #4444 | Ft. Walton Beach |
| 1st Degree | April 4 | #4444 | Ft. Walton Beach |
| 2nd Degree | April 28 | #4444 | Ft. Walton Beach |
| 1st Degree | May 2 | #4444 | Ft. Walton Beach |
| 3rd Degree | June 16` | #13527 | Niceville (Holy Name of Jesus) |
| 4th Degree | end of June | TBA | Pensacola or Gulf Breeze |

K of C #11893 Fish Fry Schedule

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| Feb. 24 | Friday | Corpus Christi (American Legion) |
| March 9 | Friday | Corpus Christi (American Legion) |
| March 16 | Friday | St. Rita |

Note: Due to construction at Corpus Christi Church, fish fries scheduled there will be held at American Legion Hall, 296 Main St.

A LITTLE LEVITY!

There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. "Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk. "Only the Ten Commandments." answered the lady.

"Somebody has said there are only two kinds of people in the world. There are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good morning, Lord," and there are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good Lord, it's morning."

A minister parked his car in a no-parking zone in a large city because he was short of time and couldn't find a space with a meter. Then he put a note under the windshield wiper that read: "I have circled the block 10 times. If I don't park here, I'll miss my appointment. Forgive us our trespasses." When he returned, he found a citation from a police officer along with this note "I've circled this block for 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket I'll lose my job. Lead us not into temptation."

There is the story of a pastor who got up one Sunday and announced to his congregation: "I have good news and bad news. The good news is, we have enough money to pay for our new gym - fellowship hall building program. The bad news is, it's still out there in your pockets."

While driving in Pennsylvania , a family caught up to an Amish carriage. The owner of the carriage obviously had a sense of humor, because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand printed sign... "Energy efficient vehicle: Runs on oats and grass. Caution: Do not step in exhaust."

A Sunday School teacher began her lesson with a question, "Boys and girls, what do we know about God?" A hand shot up in the air. "He is an artist!" said the kindergarten boy. "Really? How do you know?" the teacher asked. "You know - Our Father, who does art in Heaven... "

A minister waited in line to have his car filled with gas just before a long holiday weekend. The attendant worked quickly, but there were many cars ahead of him. Finally, the attendant motioned him toward a vacant pump. "Reverend," said the young man, "I'm so sorry about the delay. It seems as if everyone waits until the last minute to get ready for a long trip." The minister chuckled, "I know what you mean. It's the same in my business."

People want the front of the bus, the back of the church, and the center of attention.

Sunday after church, a Mom asked her very young daughter what the lesson was about. The daughter answered, "Don't be scared, you'll get your quilt." Needless to say, the Mom was perplexed. Later in the day, the pastor stopped by for tea and the Mom asked him what that morning's Sunday school lesson was about. He said "Be not afraid, thy comforter is coming."

The minister was preoccupied with thoughts of how he was going to ask the congregation to come up with more money than they were expecting for repairs to the church building. Therefore, he was annoyed to find that the regular organist was sick and a substitute had been brought in at the last minute. The substitute wanted to know what to play. "Here's a copy of the service," he said impatiently. "But, you'll have to think of something to play after I make the announcement about the finances." During the service, the minister paused and said, "Brothers and Sisters, we are in great difficulty; the roof repairs cost twice as much as we expected and we need \$4,000 more. Any of you who can pledge \$100 or more, please stand up." At that moment, the substitute organist played "The Star Spangled Banner." And that is how the substitute became the regular organist!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FOLLOWING BROTHERS BORN IN FEBRUARY

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| VERN DANGEL | 2/07 |
| DAVID DELAHOUSAYE | 2/23 |
| JOSE DELGADILLO | 2/15 |
| TOM FEARS JR. | 2/15 |
| JAMES HERBERMANN | 2/23 |
| ROSS SCASSIA | 2/02 |
| NORMAN TREMBLAY | 2/16 |

Insurance check-up for 2012

Where did 2011 go? It seems like it was summer yesterday and Easter was last week. I hope you and your family had a great finish to 2011. Now, the first quarter of 2012 is speeding by.

Hopefully, you've established a few goals for this year. I've learned a great tip regarding resolutions. First, write them down. It's not too late if you haven't already done this. Commit your goals to paper and post it someplace you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it. I don't know exactly how this works, but I've heard stories of the success this simple task can bring. Whether your goal is to exercise more, give more to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. I recommend that you have a team of experts help you, and I should be among the first you sit with. Schedule some time to visit with me, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, and I'll provide an "insurance check-up" that will quickly identify any gaps in your family's life insurance program. And you'll want to fill those gaps now, not later. Unlike many other products, you don't just need money to obtain life insurance; you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

Did I mention my check-up is free of charge? When was the last time you received something for free that could be providing value to you and your family for generations? Call me today.

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Church Ladies with typewriters are at it again!

They're Back! Those wonderful Church Bulletins! Thank God for church ladies with typewriters. These sentences (with all the BLOOPERS) actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced in church services:

The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.

The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water". The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus".

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say "Hell" to someone who doesn't care much about you.

Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.

Miss Charlene Mason sang "I will not pass this way again", giving obvious pleasure to the congregation. For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.

A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow..

**COUNCIL #11893 FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP
FRIDAY JAN. 20, 2012**



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