



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

The **Courier** © All rights reserved

Corvallis Council 1785
Bi-Monthly Newsletter

March/April
Vol. 92 No. 2

The Father Taaffe story filmed by our Council

Grand Knights Report

Brothers as usual your council has been very busy and we have even more on the horizon. If you have not participated you and your family are missing out on some fun and rewarding activities. A first, second, and third degree exemplification ceremony was held in January where we welcomed four first degree members and had twenty five brothers receive their second and third degrees. What a great event for our council. Great job by all who helped make it a huge success. A big thank you to brother Brent Palowski and all the brothers that helped with a very successful free throw contest with many kids moving onto the state competition in Eugene. We had three young athletes from our community win first place at the state competition. Congratulations to them. Brother Bob Kish hosted the Father/Daughter dance again this year and it was bigger and better than ever. Brother Doug Johnson delivered a full dresser to a teary eyed young mother at the Corvallis Pregnancy Care Center who chose life for her baby. What's coming up for you to participate and get involved in? A special "Knight To Remember" dinner is coming up on April 14th, bring your wife and invite a prospective new

member and his wife to attend. This is a fun evening with an unbelievable catered dinner prepared by "Sister Act" a fun social hour hosted by your council followed by some dance music to top off the evening. Our annual Easter Egg Hunt is almost ready to go we have been filling 4,500 plastic eggs with candy and prizes. We have a parish wide breakfast with the proceeds going to the Father Taaffe homes in Salem. There is a yard clean-up work day planned in Salem for later in the Spring at one of his homes. There is lots more going on so come to a membership meeting find out what's happening and get involved in your council. Thanks to all the brothers who volunteer to chair these projects and all those who helped. Without all of you we would not be able to help with all the church and charity projects we as a council help with.

God Bless,
Stan Nored

Financial Secretary Report

We are 3 months into the new year and there are 10 knights who have not paid their 2007 Membership dues yet. If you are one of these, please send in your payment as soon as possible. If you are not sure if your dues are paid let me know and I can tell you for sure. The Easter egg hunt is on for Easter Sunday morning at 10:30am in the courtyard if the weather

is ok. If the weather is not good we will have it in the gym. I need about 5 or 6 knights to help put out the 4800 eggs that we have. Right now there are 3 knights who have signed up to help. If you can help please let me know ASAP. We will start at about 9:30am. Have you made your reservation for the Knight to Remember dinner-dance on April 14 yet?????? Space is limited so do so ASAP to myself at 753-2934 or e-mail at

dicipardi@hotmail.com. Cost if \$20.00 per couple. Refreshments will be available. It will be in the Upper Social Hall. Social at 6PM and dinner at 6:45pm. Keep me informed of any changes that you might have so that I can keep my records up to date. See you at the regular meeting on Tues April 10th.

Dick Paradis Fin Sec.

District Deputy Report

Brothers of 1785,

The KC fraternal year is almost at an end, the State Convention is coming soon and once again Council 1785 has been very busy. You really are one of the most active Councils in the State. All the good works you do for the church, community, family, youth and council is extraordinary. The latest success of having a fish fry every Friday during Lent was just one example of what the Knights can do when we come together, organize well and have a lot of help.

Even though 1785 has already hit the recruitment goal for the year, there will still be another recruitment blitz on April 15th. This is the same day as the "Pennies for Heaven" collection. We can always use a few more good men. We need help at all masses that weekend to hand out flyers and gather names of interested men.

Keep up the good works and thanks you for all you do,

Bob Kish

District Deputy #7

Pro-Life Report

The Pro-Life committee of our council is working with Fr. Taaffe to film and create a promotional DVD about his amazing ministry. The filming has been completed and we will let you know when production has been completed.

Fr. Taaffe and the Head House Mothers have been invited our annual breakfast for Fr. Taaffe Foundation on April 22nd. At this meal we will collect items (clothes, supplies, formula etc.) for baby and mother. Did you know it cost \$1000 per day to run the Foundation. This is not possible without your generosity. Fr. Taaffe has been running these homes for 32 years as a volunteer. He receives no compensation other than the answer to his prayers. Let us answer his prayers at this breakfast.

Knights' International Day of the Unborn was celebrated at St. Mary's Monday, March 26th with a Pro-Life rosary and litany. Several presenters shared meaningful stories. Next year the event will be on March 25th, as in past years, celebrating simultaneously the Feast of the Annunciation (when God became an unborn child) and the International Day of the Unborn.

Our local Council provided scholarships for two local teens to attend Camp Joshua during Spring Break. Cassandra Noble and Addie Maguire expressed great appreciation for the opportunity, saying it was 'awesome' and they're 'on fire' for life. They look forward to the ORTL state conference in Wilsonville and hope to go to Kansas City for the national conference. Together with Christina Tangney, who also attended Camp Joshua, they hope to start some sort of 'teens for life' group.

Pro-Life chair, Doug Johnson 752-1132,
Douglas.e.johnson@oregonstate.edu

St. Brigid, St. Monica, and St. Teresa homes provide safe, comfortable, residence for single, pregnant teens and teen mothers with children, as an alternative to abortion.

Insurance Corner

Knights of Columbus News Release

Knights of Columbus Ethical Practices Qualifications Reaffirmed
IMSA renews life insurance company's place among industry leaders New Haven, CT - March 30, 2007- The Insurance Marketplace Standards Association (IMSA) has renewed the membership of the Knights of Columbus as an insurance industry leader in ethical standards and practices. IMSA, the premiere standard-setting organization in the life insurance marketplace, recognized the Knights of Columbus in a March 30, 2007 announcement. The three-year renewal of qualification reflects the commitment of the Knights of Columbus to be "fair, honest, and open in the way they advertise, sell and service their products," according to IMSA. IMSA President and CEO Brian Atchinson congratulated the Knights of Columbus for its "continuing commitment to high ethical standards," explaining that the IMSA qualification is a "demonstration of their dedication to serving customers with honesty and integrity." The Knights of Columbus also holds the highest ratings from A.M. Best Company (A++ Superior) and Standard & Poor's (AAA Extremely Strong), independent analyst organizations that evaluate the financial

strength of life insurance companies. The Knights of Columbus is one of only four insurers in North America to simultaneously earn IMSA certification and top ratings from both A.M. Best and Standard & Poor's. Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson expressed satisfaction with the renewed IMSA qualification, saying that "the Knights of Columbus, throughout its 125-year history, has always placed the needs and care of its members and their families as its first priority." He noted that by holding firmly to its principles, "the Knights of Columbus continues to rank among life insurance industry leaders in sound and ethical practices." About The Knights of Columbus The Knights of Columbus, founded in 1882 as a fraternal benefit society, is the world's largest lay Catholic organization with more than 1.7 million members. Last year members of the Knights of Columbus donated more than 64 million hours of volunteer service needy causes, and contributed more than \$139 million to charity.

Knights of Columbus

Patrick Korten Vice President for Communications

Fraternally,

Jim Walton FICF
Field Agent
541-563-2662

Next Meeting April 10th
Lower Social Hall
Saint Mary's Church
Corvallis, OR

Birthdays

March

William Foust
Ralph M. Shaima
Wilson F. Moeller
Kenneth Lockman
Daniel Wehrman
Peter Neuman
Frederick Dare
Emmet A. Jones
Andrew Duncan
David Doyle
Patrick Rausch
Patrick Casey
John Noble
Edward Beaudry
David Zelazek
John Wilson
Robert Mollahan
Vincent Oliphant

April

Richard Paradis
Paul Neuman
Robert Salter
Richard Beyer
Douglas Crotty
Robert Thomas
John L. Henderson
Robert Gerding
Robert J. Kish Jr
Michael Morford

Council Officers

Grand Knight - Stan Nored
Deputy Grand Knight - Frank Kessel
Chaplain - Rev. Matt Lanz
Financial Secretary - Dick Paradis
Chancellor - Matt Rocha
Recorder - Paul Hoffstadt
Treasurer - Joe Heaney
Warden - Doug Johnson

Trustee 1st year - Bob Rackham
Trustee 2nd year - Bob Kish
Trustee 3rd year - John Adamski
Inside Guard - Gary Beck
Outside Guard - Jim Iwaniec
Advocate - Paul Bosquet
District Deputy - Bob Kish

Council Directors

Program Director - Matthew Rocha
Church Director - Don Woelfle
Pro-life Director - Doug Johnson
Council Director - Jerry J. Jackson, Sr.
Vocations Chairman - Mike Cihak
Public Relations - Bob Rackham
Family Director - Ralph Shaima / Sertgio Pulido
Membership Director - Frank Kessel
Recruitment Committee - Frank Kessel, John
Adamski, Matthew Rocha, Bob Kish
Retention Chairman - Dick Paradis

Trustee's Awards

February Knight of the month: Frank Kessel
February Family of the month: Matt Rocha

Editor Brother Jerry J. Jackson

Any comments or corrections can be sent to:
cjld1@aol.com

Council 1785 website: www.kofc1785.org

*I am the way, the truth, and the life.
The only way to the Father is through me.*

John 14:6

