

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HAROLD GENTLING COUNCIL 1013 VOCAL KNIGHT FOR MARCH 2009

### Grand Knight's Message ~

Dear Brother Knights,

Our first Lenten Fish dinner was a great success. Thanks to those who have helped with the dinner. We have been getting many compliments from the diners. We have been trying to draw more customers to the dinner with better advertisement and this year we have entertainment. We will be having a membership blitz in April instead of March which is the official month for Blitz's. We found that we are too busy to take on another task in March.

We have a Major degree coming up on March 22nd at Lourdes - let's get the form 100s turned in! I received an email from a lady living in Arizona, who has a nephew living in North Dakota. Her nephew has a medical condition and has an appointment at the Mayo Clinic. They have financial problems and are asking for help from the Knights. The only thing she is asking for is transportation from the Rochester Airport to Rochester. I assured her that is not a problem and that several people have volunteered there help. Many people have offered several different ideas on how her nephew and his wife, who is blind, can travel cheaper.

It's great to see how people can pitch in and help when help is needed.

There is one last item to cover. The Donor Advised Fund committee held a meeting on March 4<sup>th</sup>. A vote was held to select which request was going to be funded. A unanimous vote of \$10,000 for the Lourdes Scholarship Foundation was made. I want to thank all of those who have worked to put the guidelines together for this committee. I only wish all of you could understand the hours and hours of work that was put into this.

Vivat Jesus, Steven Freese

## A Neighbor's Helping Hand

With the philanthropic giving index down 22 percent, and the economic crisis affecting nonprofit organizations nationwide, the Knights of Columbus and Fairfield University's Center for Faith and Public Life hosted a summit Feb. 27 to discuss the role volunteers play in helping their communities to recover from the financial crisis. Please take a moment of your time to check out Supremes web site – <a href="https://www.kofc.org">www.kofc.org</a> and read the note from the Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson, about A Nation of Neighbor's Helping Hand.

## **March Meeting Agenda**

Donor Advised fund report

Lenten Dinner report

Donut Sunday report

Free throw contest results

Membership Blitz in April

Channel One discussion

## **Council 1013 Free Throw Championship Results**

The K of C Council 1013 Free Throw Contest was held at St John's Gym on Sunday, February 8th. We had six total participants this year, across 4 age/gender categories.

#### The winners were:

Girls	Boys
11 yr. Mary Bigler	11 yr. Connor Belda
	12 yr. Jared Daniels
	14 yr. John Bigler

The district level competition was held on Sunday, March 1st at Lourdes High School. Three of the four winners from the Council 1013 competition finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in their age/gender groups, with the fourth finishing third.



**Call to Order:** 7:11 PM **Date:** Monday, February 9th, 2009

#### Roll Call:

Grand Knight – Steve Freese P
Chancellor – Deacon Jerry Freetly A
Financial Secretary – Brian Bell P
Treasurer – Tim Geisler P
Recorder – Brian Willaert A
Warden – Rea Schmid P
Advocate – Chris Nelson A
Chaplain – Father Lasuba P
Trustee – Mark Stadtherr A
Deputy Grand Knight – Mark Zangs A
Financial Secretary – Brian Bell P
Recorder – Brian Willaert A
Outside Guard – Mike Kleinschmidt A
Trustee – Rich Siglow P
District Deputy – Jeff Bagniewski A

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 pm with the opening prayer lead by Fr. Lasuba.

Reading of the minutes was tabled until March.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Tim Geisler reported expenses for January 2009. Report approved as read.

**Financial Secretaries Report**: Brian Bell reported January receipts of \$847.00, Report approved as read.

**Monthly Grand Knights Meeting:** Grand Knight Steve Freese reported on some topics discussed at the January meeting of area Grand Knights.

- The 2009 spring membership blitz should be held in March
- There is a Major Degree at Lourdes on March 22. The 1<sup>st</sup> degree is at 9:30.

- Tootsie Roll weekend is April 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>
- The area KC social event will be held on April 24<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for a brother knight from 1013 to represent the council on the planning committee.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

**Tuition Scholarship Banquet:** Rich Siglow attended the banquet this year. He said it was one of the best attended banquets he's seen.

**Donor Advised Fund:** Tim Geisler, our council representative to the donor advised fund committee, reported on the current requests for funds pending before the committee. After a discussion of the value of the various requests and discussion of the current state of the fund, the council agreed with his recommendation that 1013 support just one of the requests, to permanently fund a scholarship for a Lourdes High School student through the Lourdes Foundation. Tim will take that recommendation back to the full committee which will make the final decision.

**Fish Dinners:** Fish dinners will be held each Friday of Lent. The GK reported that we are working on lining up entertainment for the dinners this year.

**Free Throw Contest:** The 2009 contest was held in St John's gym on Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>. The number of contestants was up slightly this year. Thanks to Brian Willaert for organizing the contest and to the five other brother knights who gave their time to help.

**Vocal Knight:** The suggestion was made that we need to get a calendar of events added to <u>The Vocal Knight.</u> The suggestion will be forwarded to the editor.

**New Business:** NONE

**Prayer List**: The intentions of all brother knights.

Meeting closed with a prayer by Fr. Lasuba at 7:47 pm.

Faithfully Submitted by FS Brian Bell for Recorder Brian Willaert.

