

Raleigh Knights



Annual Birth Choice Auction Dinner Raises Money and Awareness

Going once, Going twice, Sold! These exact words were heard over and over again during the Annual Birthchoice Auction Dinner held Friday, Nov. 9th at the council hall. A great dinner was served and enjoyed by all 45 participants (except for the shortage of bread, which I should know better being my wife is Italian).

Once dinner was over and the free wine was flowing, the exciting night of bidding began. Items of all sorts were available. A free weekend stay at a Holiday inn Express, rounds of golf, packages of wine and

cheer, Christmas items and as always a beautifully made Bill Scott piece of furniture. Bids from as low as \$5.00 and up were shouted from the crowd and friendly rivalry bidding began as electricity filled the air. All of this was for the worthwhile charity of the Birthchoice Medical Clinic which serves local women experiencing difficulty for whatever reason in trying to decide between abortion and birth.

Although final figures have not been accumulated, the projection is

that over \$2,000.00 was raised at the evenings event.

Many thanks and God bless to all who attended and help support this most worthy cause. Special thanks to the following for all their help: State Deputy John Gouldie and his wife Cathy, Regional District Deputy John Nussbaum and his wife Lori, Grand Knight Jim Humphrys and his wife Leann, Mark Palko and his wife Debbie, Dan Palattella and his wife Maryjo, Michael Costanza, Matt Leonhard and of course PGK Car-

mine Sacchitello and his wife Anna.

A big thanks goes out to all who contributed by donating items for the auction.

A very special thank you to George Wahl PGK for his service as auctioneer. His wit and sincerity makes this event very special every year and a large part of this events success is because of his contribution. I must also thank him for putting up with me as a rookie auctioneer.

Faithfully submitted by,

Ed Rogosich DGK

The Pro-Life Movie Bella Hits Raleigh Area Movie Theatres

The movie (BELLA) is showing at the North Hills and Brier Creek theaters starting on 11-16-07. Many anti-abortion groups including the Sisters of Life in NY and Birth Choice in Raleigh hope we attend this movie which surprisingly has a PRO-LIFE theme. The Knights of Columbus is helping to promote this movie through Supreme publications and their website. Please visit the Supreme website: <http://www.kofc.org> or you can visit the Bella website: <http://www.bellathemovie.com/> for more information on this movie.

Grand Knights Report

November is upon us, time to reflect on the year that has passed.

To be thankful for the blessings God has given, and remember the ones he has brought back to his fold. The 18th of this month we will honor, remember and pray for those who have fallen this year and pray for those who are heading into this holiday season missing a loved one.

Please make an effort to make contact and share memories with someone you have lost touch with lately.

A special thank you to all who were able to make it to the Birth Choice Auction on the 9th, we raised \$2000.00. I am considering we host another one in the first week of March, [with the date posted properly in the news letter, sorry for not communicating it better for this last one].

Remember to keep Christ in Christmas and make this coming year one to remember.

Matt Leonhard, our Family Director is planning to hold another Parents Knight Out,

It's a great time to drop off your kids at the council home [from 5pm to 10 pm], do some shopping and maybe get in some dinner out, all while the kids are having a great time.

I'll close here with a special prayer request for Deacon Steve and family, please say an extra rosary on his behalf.

God Bless,

Jim Humphrys, Grand Knight

Congratulations to Jay Taylor, our Community Director for being selected as our Knight of the Month for November, 2007. Jay has stepped up to plate and handled his duties like he's been doing it for years.

Our November Family of the Month goes to Dan & Maryjo Palatella for their taking over as managers of Wake Services. Thank you.



Clothing is available for order with the "Fr. Thomas Price, Knights of Columbus Logo":

| | |
|---|---------|
| Knit Golf Shirt, White, size Sm. thru. XXlg, | \$25.00 |
| Long Sleeve Dress Shirt, Button Down collar, White, Sm thru. XXlg, | \$30.00 |
| Jacket, water repellent, cadet-style collar, Dark Blue, Sm thru. XXlg | \$45.00 |
| Ball Caps, no profile design, White, adjustable size, | \$20.00 |

Contact Joe Ryan: 919-782-6797 or thegreatjir@nc.rr.com

Retention Committee Report

Last month, our Financial Secretary, Michael Ames sent out a member update form in the newsletter. We asked if you could please fill it out and send it back so we could make sure we have all of your information current. For those of you who took the time and the postage to do so, we thank you. For those of you who have not yet gotten to the task, we ask again kindly to please take the time to do so. If for anything else, it gives the officers the ability to keep all of us informed as to the goings on of the council.

While I'm on the subject of council activity, let me ask you this! What's the best way to stay informed and get active in the Council?

If you said, "attend the business meetings", you get a cookie. Our business meetings are designed to do a lot more than just state the business of the council. It's the quickest way to get informed as to what's happening. They are also meant to build camaraderie and fraternity. We socialize before and after each meeting, we get to know each other a little better and we get to share. Share our thoughts, share our ideas and share our hopes. I know you have heard this from me more than you care to...but I'll say it again because I truly believe it. If you attend the monthly business meetings, great. If you haven't been to one lately, please come to one soon....you'll be glad you did and so will your Brothers and all of those we touch.

Our Financial Secretary, Michael Ames has also sent out second notices to members who have not yet paid their membership dues. As you all know, our membership dues, as with any organization, are the life blood of our Council. They support our program activities, they support donations to several charities and they pay the per capita for each member to The State Council and Supreme. So yes, our dues are quite important. Please take the time to mail in your check for your dues, or better still, stop by the council and drop them off. For those of you who may have difficulty paying your dues or those of you who owe for several years past, please don't fret. We still want to hear from you as we are very understanding and are willing to help. Please contact Michael Ames at (919) 848-2396 or email: michael.h.ames@gsk.com or you can contact the Grand Knight Jim Humphrys (919) 366-2225 or email: jim.humphrys_kofc2546@yahoo.com to discuss getting up to date. All correspondence are kept strictly confidential and are a means to help those who may be in need or believe they are too in arrears.

Thank you.

Under Good of Order:

Knight of Month: Jay Taylor

Family of the Month: Dan and Mary Jo Palatella

Clothing, order in time for Christmas, jackets, shirts, hats. Contact Joe Ryan, see add in the bulletin.

Please pray for those who are sick: Pat Scalise, Deacon Steve and his son Mark, Ed Rogosich sister in law and grandson, Jim McGowan's son David, Bill Scott, Mike Linsdale, Jerry Keas, Msg Jerry Sherba, Msg. Williams, Maria Tulloss, Jonathan Davidson, John Nussbaum, Eric Goldman's niece, Peter Krehenduehi Please pray for those who have died: Brother Al Ruocchio, Brother Ken Growney. Jim Phillips, Ann Norkus, Bro. Earnie Major, Bro Jim Kepple.

Pray for all our Armed Forces Personnel.

Faithfully submitted by Joe Ryan, Recorder

Story of Grace – Bike for Life, August 2007

What a blessing to be a part of the Bike for Life! Thank you to Sabrena and Eric Goldman who organized it. Our gratitude to all of you who, through your financial and other support, made it possible for the Sisters of Life to participate.

There were many graces but one I would like to highlight happened the very last night of the Bike for Life. After the Holy Hour, a woman approached me to talk. She had listened to my witness story given before Fr. Benedict Groeschel's talk. My witness in brief was how a Jewish man, David, cleaned and bandaged my wounds after a fall that occurred near his house. Later when I prayed about his incredible kindness, Jesus spoke to my heart that David had revealed the Father's love and mercy to me.

And so I shared this message of love and mercy that night and invited them to experience this from God the Father in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In this Sacrament, the Father of Mercies and the God of all Consolation lovingly and eagerly waits to "clean and bandage" our wounds due to sin. I gave a special appeal to those who had suffered from abortion to encourage them to run into the Father's outstretched arms.

The woman who approached me at the end of the evening talk had suffered multiple abortions and shared with me her conversion and her pain. We talked for about an hour. At one point she cried on my shoulder and I thought, "Thanks be to God the Sisters of Life are a part of these Bike for Life events and that I could be here for this woman." I began that evening with my witness and it ended with her witness to me, a witness of God's awesome love and great mercy.

May you also experience and witness God the Father's immense, unconditional love and mercy. Please spread the Good News to as many as possible. May you be rewarded for your generosity on behalf of Life. God bless you abundantly.

With grateful prayers,

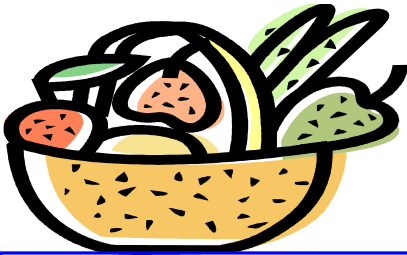
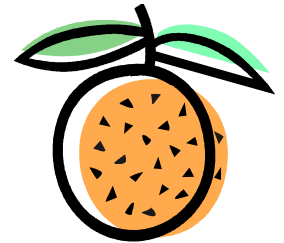
Sr. Maria Kateri, S.V.

Sr. Maria Kateri for all
The Sisters of Life who biked

*Thank you, Mr. Humphreys,
Grand Knight.
The K of C is a wonderful
organization!*



Our annual Fruit Drive will be held on Sunday, December 2nd and the following Sunday, December 9th. Once again we will need help transporting and selling fruit to and at the following Churches: **Sacred Heart Cathedral**, Ron Duffy PGK Captain: (919) 872-9544 or email: ronaldcpduffy@hotmail.com. **St Joseph's**, Ed Rogosich DGK Captain: (919) 833-0302 or email: edbossman1@juno.com. **Our Lady of Lourdes**, Rich Ferraro PGK Captain: 919-266-3155, 919-



741-2212 or email: rich0317kofc@bellsouth.net. To those of you who have helped in the past, please contact your team captain and to those of you who would care to join in a couple of fun days, contact the captain at the church you would care to help at...pickup trucks are a great help as we need to transport the fruit. The more members we have at each church means better coverage and less lost sales. This is one of our most productive fund raisers.....Please come out and help!

10 Facts About WW II with Carmine Sacchitello PGK

1. THE H.M.S. WARSPITE, A BRITISH WARSHIP, WAS THE ONLY SHIP TO FIGHT IN THE BATTLE OF JUTLAND (IN WW I) IN 1916 AND LATER TO SUPPORT THE D-DAY LANDINGS AT NORMANDY ON JUNE 6TH 1944.
2. U.S. AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION FROM 1939 TO 1945: 1939- 2,141; 1940- 6,086; 1941- 19,433; 1942- 47,836; 1943- 85,898; 1944- 96,318; 1945- 46,001 FOR A TOTAL OF 303,713. (1945 WAS FOR 8 MONTHS ONLY)
3. 93,000 SERVICEMEN KILLED IN WW II ARE BURIED ON FOREIGN SOIL. THAT'S ALMOST 1/4 OF ALL U.S. SERVICEMEN KILLED IN WW II.
4. HERE'S WHAT THE SALVAGE EFFORT OF HOUSEHOLD ITEMS ON THE HOMEFRONT MEANT TO THE WAR EFFORT: 30,000 RAZOR BLADES MADE FIFTY .30 CALIBER MACHINE GUNS, 250,000 TONS OF TIN AND 190,000 TONS OF STEEL MADE 5,000 TANKS, 30 LIPSTICK TUBES MADE 20 CARTRIDGES, 2300 PAIRS OF NYLONS MADE 1 PARACHUTE AND 1 LB. OF FAT MADE 1/3 LB. OF GUNPOWDER.
5. ON MAY 8TH, 1945, PRESIDENT HARRY TRUMAN TURNED 61 YEARS OLD. IT WAS THE SAME DAY GERMANY SURRENDED.
6. IT REQUIRED MORE THAN 6,940 SHIPS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION, FROM FERRY BOATS TO BATTLESHIPS, TO MOUNT THE NORMANDY INVASION ON JUNE 6TH, 1944. BY JULY 4TH, 1944 THERE WERE 1,255,850 MEN AND 232,000 VEHICLES ASHORE. MORE THAN 5,200 ALLIED TROOPS WERE KILLED BY THE 1ST WEEK OF THE LANDINGS.
7. IN 1945 THE U.S. NAVY WAS THE TARGETS IN HISTORY. IT HAD 19,037 SHIPS (INCLUDING LANDING CRAFT) IN COMMISSION. IN CONTRAST, THE U.S. NAVY HAS ONLY 300 WARSHIPS IN COMMISSION TODAY.
8. THE JAPANESE SHIP MAGATO MARU WAS THE ONLY JAPANESE BATTLESHIP TO SURVIVE WW II.
9. ON OCT. 1ST 1943 NAPLES BECAME THE 1ST EUROPEAN CITY TO BE LIBERATED IN WW II.
10. NEW ZEALAND WAS ONLY ONE OF 3 COUNTRIES TO SEND TROOPS TO EVERY THEATRE OF WW II. THE OTHER TWO COUNTRIES WERE THE U.S AND BRITAIN.



YOU ARE INVITED TO AN ADULT ONLY CHRISTMAS PARTY

DECEMBER 14 AT 7:30 P.M. AT THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL



The Columbus Club Board of Directors is hosting a FREE Christmas Party for all of our members and loyal friends that have supported us and volunteered over the past year.



Open bar (beer & wine) from 7:30 – 11:30



Music and dancing.....



Disc Jockey will provide the entertainment

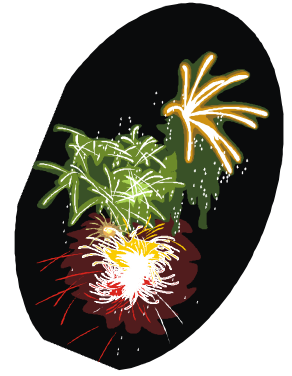


Good food.....



PLEASE COME JOIN US!!!!!!

Meet Dan and Maryjo Palattella

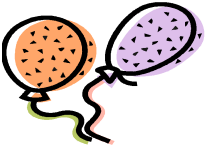


Dan and Maryjo have taken on the responsibility of running Wake Services Management.

Dan has been active in the Knights since March, 2001, has served as our Membership Director and runs his own entertainment company. Their main duties include: renting the hall, pavilion and facility, maintenance and upkeep of same and they make sure the lounge is properly staffed to serve our members and their guests. Speaking of the lounge, Dan and Maryjo have incorporated some fun events on several nights such as Karaoke, A Knight at the Races, cookouts and other fun activities to make our lounge more accommodating to all. Of course there is still Monday Night Football. All of these are council activities, therefore there is no smoking in the lounge during these activities. Right now there is a chalkboard in the lounge stating what's coming up in the lounge, and we will try to get future activities posted in the newsletter as well. One area that Maryjo took control of already was seasonally decorating the hall and lounge....it looks great and will continue to as she adds her touch.

One area that always needs help is bartending! This is a great way to meet other members and help support Wake Services. Please contact Dan or Maryjo: 919-212-3566 or email: danamare_prod@hotmail.com or call or stop by the council if you would care to help.

Please stop by and say hello to our new management team and lend them your support.



Please wish the following Brothers a Happy Birthday.

For the Month of November:

Robert Petrolino, Arron Brisard, Richard Jankowski, Stephen Miller, Eugene Offoha, Ed Schoenborn, Christopher Paez, Charles Powers, James Trevathan, Jason Angel, Steven Gaetani, Jack Burke, Rene Tremblay, Charles Stoner, Miguel Frisco, Chad Burnside, Charles Redmond, Joseph Grady, Bart Raffaele, Hugh Lee, Eugene Bishop, Michael George, Joseph Falco, Theodore Coleman, Tony Aiello, Curtis Deloatch, Michael Kuharcik, Robert Kopetsky, James Stephens, Curtis Smith, Paul Teets, Albert Cellini, Edgar Roman, Robert Padovano, Christopher Chapman, Timothy Peterson.

For the Month of December:


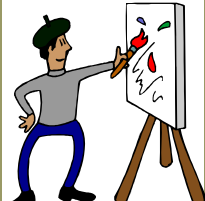
Jason Arcoraci, Ed Rogosich, Anthony Minori, Ernest Major, Michael Paez, Rene Tremblay, William Quinn, Charles Kubasko, Tom Falvey, Robert Petrone, Michael Oxley, Anthony Caramancia, Richard Scalise, Chris conti, David Strother, Calvin Cole, Vincent Liguori, Martin Stankus, Matthew Eilersick, Joe Monck, Joseph Butters, Anthony McWilliams, Dan Palattella, James Riedy, Joseph Kertis, Jerry Santoro, Kenneth Killinger, Innocent Modilim, Ernest Swinarski.



DECEMBER 2007

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|  | “ KEEP | CHRIST | IN | CHRISTMAS | “ | 1 |
| 2 Fruit Drive | 3 | 4 | 5 1st Degree 7:00 PM Business Mtg 8 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 Fruit Drive | 10 | 11 Columbus Club Meeting | 12 | 13 | 14 Christmas Party 7:30 PM | 15 |
| 16 Kids Christ- mas Party 1:00 PM | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 | 24 Christmas Eve | 25 Christmas Day | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 | 31 New Years Eve |  | HAPPY | NEW | YEAR | |

JANUARY 2008

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|  |  | 1 New Years | 2 Business Meeting 8:00 PM | 3 | 4 | 5 Mid year Meeting State Council —> |
| 6 —> | 7 | 8 Columbus Club Meeting | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 4th Degree Meeting | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 Art Auction 6:30PM |
| 27 | 28 | 29 Officers/ Directors Meet- ing 7:30 PM | 30 | 31 | |  |

PROGRAM REPORTS

Thanks to the eight people that came out for the blood drive last month. The next one will be in March, and I will advertise it much earlier and more aggressively. Many thanks Mark Palko, Dave Bayard, Jim Humphreys and Bob Kearney for participating in the Adopt a Highway the first Sat. in November. It went well. The next one will be in March also. Please note that Jim Humphreys helped me out tremendously and demonstrated to me outstanding leadership in both of these events. I would also like to add that these Community events are just that.....events that help our community. It is vital that we as Knights show our support for them, especially the blood drive. I look forward to seeing all of you soon.

Brother Jay Taylor
Community Director
919-868-7894

Even though we did not have the hay ride through the haunted forest this year, our little ghosts and goblins had a ball at the annual Kids Halloween Party on Sunday, October 28th. Our new Youth Director, Tom Monck Jr. did a great job with some new and some old games for the kids, such as bobbing for apples and the mummy wrap. Thanks to all who attended and help make this a ghoulish good time.



We will be conducting a 1st degree prior to our December business meeting on December 5th. The Degree will start at 7:00 PM. If you know of anybody who would care to join The Knights, please contact me and have your candidate at the hall at 6:30 PM. Each and every one of us is responsible for recruitment. We should be asking our family, friends and fellow parishioners if they are interested in joining our order. All of us should carry or have ready a Form 100 and some literature for anybody interested in The Knights. Again, if you need these forms or help with recruitment, please feel free to contact Myself or The Grand Knight.

Thank you,
Richard Scalise, Membership Director.....(919) 231-7231 or email: richgerscalise@mindspring.com

I'm working to put together the next "Parents Knight Out" where you can drop your kids at the Council and have a nice evening out. The initial date was for this Friday, but a schedule conflict and lack of response has caused us to re-schedule for Dec. 7th. Drop your kids anytime between 5pm – 10pm. That should be a good evening for Christmas shopping, dinner, a movie etc... Please email me or call me if you are interested. We also need some older children to assist in watching the kids or other adult volunteers to help.

If you have any other ideas for Family Activities or other comments, please contact me at mattel@nc.rr.com or 919-833-2007.

Matt Leonhard
Family Director

Ron Duffy, PGKronalcdpduffy@hotmail.com**Capital Towers Bingo**

The 2008 Bingo Schedule for Capital Towers is almost complete. If you are not on the schedule and want to take a turn this year send an email or call me at 872-9544.

Bingo Schedule

12/14/2007 - John Gouldie family and Friends
 12/28/2008 - Christmas break - no Bingo
 1/11/2008 - Carmine Sacchitello and Matt Leonhard
 1/25/2008 - Joe Ryan and Tom Dunham
 2/8/2008 - Gene Gallagher and Jeff Price
 2/22/2008 - Joe Falco and Michael Costanzo

First Degree Team

Much appreciation to Tony Difede, Scott Sharp and Stephen Beausang who have volunteered to join John Gouldie PGK, John Nussbaum PGK, Ron Duffy PGK, Dave Bayard and Ed Rogosich on the council's 1st Degree Team. We still need a backup for the Chancellor position. If you wish to take on this very important role or volunteer for another role please

Columbus Club Report

Last year we put into effect the no smoking rule during Council events and it was very successful as more members and their families who attended these events gave us positive feedback on this matter.

Your Columbus Club has been discussing making the Knights of Columbus facility smoke free 100 % of the time. We believe that this would make our facility and the events we hold here much more inviting to all. In order to accommodate our members who still do smoke, we have agreed to build an awning to cover the patio outside of the lounge.

Many thanks too all of the Knights, their families and friends who supported our annual 50/50 raffle this year. We would also like to congratulate the winners. For all of you who came out to the dinner and final drawing on November 16th, we hope you had a good time and enjoyed the wonderful meal prepared by Gary Post and Jerry Santoro PGK. Thanks also to all who helped out in the kitchen and with the set up and clean up as well. This is one of our most popular events and we as Knights look forward to it every year.

Please remember that this is your Columbus Club, and without your support we would not be able to continue to maintain our facility, which we are blessed to have, and to plan to make it even better in the not too distant future. If you think about it, there are not many councils in our area, let alone the entire State that can boast about the good fortune we have of being able to meet in our own building, plan and hold fund raisers and support events in our own building and on our property.

That's why it is so important for more of us to get and stay involved in all of our endeavors. The more of us there are to help and support all that we do, the stronger and more supportive to others we can become.

After all, is that not the main reason we all joined the Knights, to help or to be able to help others who are less fortunate than us?



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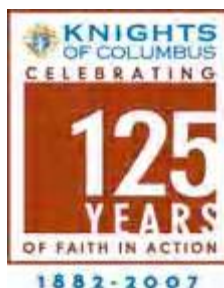
This is an example of what your ad could look like. As you can see, we can scan your business card in full color (if you are receiving this electronically). Of course the hard copy would be the same print quality as the rest of the newsletter, but either way it's a great way to inexpensively advertise your business or service.

By the way, these are the folks who helped us put together our Trip to Italy Raffle and they did a great job.

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