



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Msgr. Borusky Council 10243 Green Bay, Wisconsin

## NEWSLETTER

December 2006

### GRAND KNIGHT'S COLUMN



Listening to Public Radio recently, I learned that it is OK to wish everyone a Merry Christmas again. It is no longer the "politically correct" method to wish a happy holiday. Knights have always held the position to "Keep Christ in Christmas", after all, it is the celebration of Christ's birth which started it all. I know there will be those who will steadfastly maintain that we include all in our greetings, and we can. No one should be offended. We should wish those of other faiths the appropriate greeting for their religious holidays but it is sad if we feel obligated to secularize our important celebration of the birth of Jesus by reducing it to a simple holiday. During this period of Advent, I ask all of you to reflect on the ways that you can bring His light into the world. As active Knights, we are not content to sit still, but strive to find a way to make a difference.

Coming up in December, the Council will be ringing bells for the Salvation Army. We are scheduled for Friday, December 15th and Saturday, December 16th at the new Cops Food Center in Bellevue (by the new Target).

We will also be having our annual Christmas social after the meeting on December 18th. Wives and significant others are welcome.

Don't forget the State Charity Raffle. These raffle tickets are the only source of funding for the Wisconsin State Council's Charity Fund. This fund is used to help the victims of tornadoes or fires, uninsured people facing significant medical expenses, and Catholic education. Let's make sure this fund stays financially strong, so the Knights of the state of Wisconsin can continue to make a significant impact to those in need.

A Merry and Blessed Christmas to all.

*Fraternally,  
Dan Barrington, Grand Knight*

### NEXT MEETING



**Council Meeting** - Monday, December 18th - Rosary at 7:15 P.M., Christmas Social to follow

## Unity

### HONOREES

Congratulations to the  
Council's November Honorees:

**Knight of the Month:**  
**Dave Catalano**

**Family of the Month:**  
**Mike and Connie Worzala**

### COMING EVENTS

**Christmas Poster Contest** - Competition November 15 - December 15  
Contact - Tom Caldie (469-7861) or Dave Catalano - (465-8131) Co-Chairs

**Salvation Army Bell Ringing** - December 15th - December 16th - Contact Jim Janssen

**Council Meeting** - Monday, December 18th - Rosary at 7:15 P.M., Christmas Social to follow

**Youth Knowledge Contest** -, Saturday, January 13th - 9:00 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.  
Contact - Tom Caldie (469-7861) or Dave Catalano - (465-8131) Co-Chairs

**Youth Free Throw Contest** - Saturday, January 13th - 10:30 A.M. to 12:00 A.M.  
Contact - Tom Caldie (469-7861) or Dave Catalano - (465-8131) Co-Chairs

### DECEMBER MEETING CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

Every year we have a shortened December meeting followed by our Christmas Social. This year Sandy Murphy (PGK John Murphy) and Joan Turner (PGK Grant Turner) have graciously offered to coordinate the menu. Please contact them to let them know what kind of dish you are bringing. (Sandy - 336-9646) (Joan -469-3407) Hope to see many Knights and their guests at this social. It is a good time to spend together in Fraternity. As usual, the meeting will be brief with a recitation of the Rosary starting at 7:15. Guests are welcome to join in prayer with us.

## SPECIAL DAYS



### Birthdays

11-15	Clayton J Langenberg
11-17	Betty (Joseph C.) Hoffman
11-19	Joyce (David J.) Catalano
11-20	Jerry A. Ahrens
11-20	Kathy (Paul L) Tilot
11-25	Keneth C. Sevcik
11-26	Weldon Kiernan
11-26	Kathleen (Dr. James J.) Gibson
11-29	Kenneth M. Greetan
11-3	Paul L. Dunnigan
12-05	Joyce (Robert L.) Lefebvre
12-06	Michael A. Worzala
12-06	Kim (David J) Burbach
12-09	Gene C. Pieschek
12-12	Alice (James E) Hershman
12-13	Donald F. Hoff
12-13	David J Reimer



### Anniversaries

07-15	Desmond J. & Pat Mc Cullagh
07-16	Roger J. Jr & Lynda Shaha
07-26	Terry C. & Kristine Misfeldt



*Merry Christmas  
and  
Happy New Year*

### WEB Links:

#### K of C Council 10243

[www.communitynews.org/kc\\_folder/knights.htm](http://www.communitynews.org/kc_folder/knights.htm)

#### K of C State

[www.wikofc.com](http://www.wikofc.com)

#### K of C Supreme

[www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

## FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

As 2006 comes to a close, we will be sending out the bills for dues for the calendar year 2007 which are due January 1st. Note"...keeping your dues current..." is a part of the First Degree exemplification. However, if you are having financial difficulties and cannot pay your dues, the Knights of Columbus understands, but you need to notify the Grand Knight, Dan Barrington to make other arrangements. Please, make your checks out to:  
Knights of Columbus Council 10243  
(or K. of C. Council 10243).

2007 Memberships Cards (Traveling Cards) will be sent upon receipt of dues. The 2006 survey of fraternal activity individual member worksheet will also be sent out and is due back to me by 1-9-2007 in order for us to tally the totals. Remember that you need to take credit for all of your activities; serving as an usher, distributing Holy Communion at Mass, youth activities such as coaching, and helping a neighbor or fellow Knight to paint their house, etc. If you help anyone, those hours can be counted. This is important for the Knights of Columbus to maintain their charitable status for tax purposes. If you have questions, ask me E-Mail addresses are being asked for again as some may have changed and some may have been added during the past year. If your Telephone Number has changed, please add it to the survey information. We will include an envelope addressed to the Financial Secretary for your convenience to return your dues and survey. If you mail it, be sure to put a stamp on the envelope, or give it to me at the December meeting. Thank you for your cooperation.

### NEWS LETTERS BY E-MAIL

Again, a reminder that you can receive your newsletter by e-mail. More than half of our Knights are doing so. This helps save on postage costs too. If you are interested, go to our website and under the GK link, send me you e-mail address and we will get you on the list. YOU WILL NOT BE PUT ON ANY OTHER LISTS FOR JUNK MAIL, ETC.

### NOMINATION FOR DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT

The nominating committee is accepting notice to fill the vacancy of Deputy Grand Knight. Committee members are Past Grand Knights Rick Noe, Randy Barrett, Grant Turner and John Murphy. Nominations will close at our January meeting and an election will be held at the meeting. Pat Mongin has stepped forward and tossed his hat into the ring, (thanks Pat) and if anyone else wishes to be considered, please let the committee know.

## Charity

### NO CHARITY REQUESTS THIS MONTH



We traditionally do not consider charity requests for December, so there is no charity report for this month. We will get back in to the swing of things in January.

# Fraternity

## SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING



Every year we spend time manning the Salvation Army donation buckets. We are at Copp's in Bellevue again this year (it's nice and warm). We are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, December 15th and 16th. There are a couple of shifts still open. Please contact Jim Janssen at 406-8685. We started this some years back when it was coordinated by deceased Brother Dan McLaughlin and continue to do it in his memory. "Danny Mac" was very active in charity work with this being one of his favorite activities.

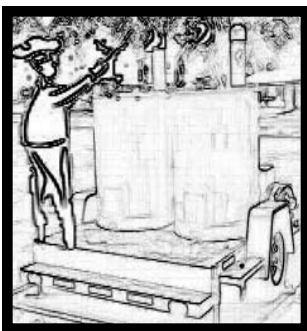
## KNIGHTS "ONE-A-WEEK" BLOOD DONATIONS



2006 year to date we are at 120 donations which is above what our total donations were for 2005 but behind the record set in 2004. November was our weakest showing this year with only 7 donations. As this year rapidly comes to a close, the continued need does not. Please find the time to make a trip to the Red Cross center and make a donation of blood in the name of the Knights. This act of kindness is what we do, and how we quietly go about Christ's work, serving our fellow man. As you prepare for Christmas take the time to give the gift that really counts. After all it's RED.

For more information contact:  
Rick Noe, "One A Week" K.C. Coordinator

## BOOYAH



The Booyah sales in October & November were very successful. Despite increases in the price of chicken, we made a net profit of \$933.47. In addition over 50 Gals of booyah were donated to NEW and other locations with a value of \$800+. A grateful thank you goes to all of the Knights that helped cutting

vegetables on Saturday mornings and the booyah sales on Sunday mornings. The event is truly a joy when we have the many hands that participated. Thanks again to everyone who helped prepare, serve or purchase the booyah.

## RAFFLE TICKETS



TICKETS SOLD - 30

GOAL - 1390 TICKETS

KNIGHTS REPORTING - 3

## A SEASON FOR GIVING

With the holidays rapidly approaching, now is a good time to sit down with your Knights of Columbus agent and discuss your family's current financial circumstances - and your future plans. Life insurance is truly one of the best gifts a member can buy for his family. Think about it: What else can you put under the Christmas tree that can:

\* Guarantee that the mortgage on your home would be paid off if you die?

\* Provide a way for you to ensure that money is available for your children to attend college, whether you live or die?

\* Ensure your family's financial survival if you, your spouse, or both of you meet an untimely death?

You probably know plenty of folks who overspend during the holiday season. Conversely, few people oversave, and plenty of folks are financially unprepared for the future. Yet, it's by doing the latter that people demonstrate true love for their spouses and children!

Start early on some resolutions for the new year. Save more. Allocate expenditures more wisely. Above all, ensure your family's financial protection - come what may. With a Knights of Columbus life insurance program, your family will have the benefit of financial security for the years ahead... and be better able to celebrate future Christmases.

Financial hardship is something that you can prevent. By taking the appropriate steps now, you protect your loved ones against financial calamity in the event of your death. What's more, the sooner you act, the greater the benefits will be for your family - and, possibly, for you as well. I wish you and yours a blessed Christmas and a prosperous New Year.



Bill Bartelme  
Knights of Columbus  
Field Agent - 713-1936

# Patriotism

## SAY A CHRISTMAS PRAYER FOR OUR ARMED FORCES OVERSEAS



There are Soldiers Sailors Airman and Marines, stationed all over the world, spending the holidays without their family. Christmas time is the loneliest. There are thousands like this who serve our great country.

When you are safe at home having your Christmas dinner and handing out gifts, stop and say a prayer for our forces all over the world, especially those fighting in Iraq. They are part of someone's family who wishes they were home at this special time.