

Grand Knight Newsletter January/February 2016

Where did the last six months of 2015 go? I mean we are approaching our coldest time of the year, however, we've accomplished so much, but there is still a lot of work to be done. We have successfully supported Christmas in July, Yard Sale, Bingo, Scholarships, C.O.A.L. Ticket Sales, Football Ticket Sales, posted our Ten Commandment plaque in St Joseph School Lobby entrance, Light Up For Christ, etc. These activities indicate the health of our membership and support is high by those members who participate. I use the word health because our Council is a living body. A body of Catholic men and their families joined together by our faith, our integrity and our care for others. This body, just like our own needs to be nurtured and cared for so it can do its work at its fullest capacity. How do we do this? What's the secret? Where do we find these answers? Well my brothers we need not look far. The answers to these questions are within us all. It's the reason we joined this great Order. To help others less fortunate than us. To ensure our families are protected should something happen to us. There are many more answers, and individually as well as collectivity we understand what these answers are and what they mean.

As we approach the winter months, we should not fear for it is a time of comfort and closeness with family and friends. Yes, we cannot go outside to picnic and swim but we may gather for board games, warm fireplaces and enjoying the closeness of our friend and loved ones. We can gaze at the beauty of a freshly fallen snow on a cool crisp morning we look forward to the rebirth in spring.

Few Facts About the Knights of Columbus

- * The Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney, a young parish priest in New Haven, CT
- * It is a strong supporter of the Catholic Church, both in deeds and financially, from the parish level to the Vatican
- * It has and international membership of over 1.8 million devoted Catholic men.
- * It is a family oriented fraternal organization based on the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism open to all practicing Catholic men eighteen years older.



* Its benefits, services, insurance and programs are available to every member in good standing and their family.

This Council works only if you do. If you are not now active, please consider joining us. Your reward will be much greater than the effort made.

In closing I ask that you always consider why you became a Knight? I believe you'll come up with a lot more answers than I did and it will help in keeping our Council healthy and vibrant.

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