

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 9711



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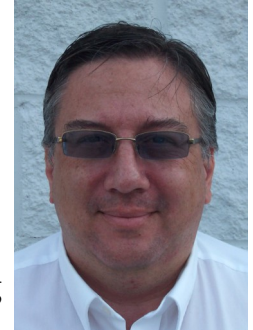
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KEN WATTERSON

From our Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

I would like to start by welcoming our newest Knights - Ben Tamayo, Gregg Scrimger, Chris Jandron and Brian Beliew - who went through the first degree this month. I can see all of these men playing vital roles in our Council for years to come.

Fall brings a busy time of year for 9711. In the near future we have a Pancake Breakfast, a family fun day at Andy T's, another poker fundraiser, the Sacred Heart statue presentation and our "Keep Christ In Christmas" card sales event. We also led the push to have a headstone put on a grave of a Catholic woman whose family could not afford one for her. Always remember with pride, Brother Knights, the enthusiastic and faithful work we do here at St Casimir. Keep up the GOOD work. Bruce, GK



FAMILY PUMPKIN DAY & 9711 OPEN HOUSE



Sunday, October 23 from 2-6 pm
at Andy T's Farms in St. Johns



- *free hot dogs, burgers & drinks*
- *FREE PUMPKINS FOR THE KIDS*
- *pumpkin painting and carving*
- *in the greenhouse - rain or shine!*
- *see the pumpkin sling-shot in action*
- *play with a goat*



FAMILY PUMPKIN DAY AND 9711 OPEN HOUSE AT ANDY T'S!!!

Join us on Sunday, October 23rd, from 2-6 pm for a fun and family oriented gathering with your brother Knights and their families. No more little ones at home? Come on up anyways and have some fresh grilled grub by 9711 Executive Chef Dan Fell. No kids, just grandkids? Bring a few! This is also a recruiting event for prospective Knights. If you know someone who would make a good addition to our council, please tell them about this event. You can also let Jim Beckwith or Andy Eagle know about good prospects and we will make sure they get handed an actual invitation.

> Good food - Free pumpkins - Good fellowship <

Aside from all the good hot food, we ask that your family try to bring a nice baked good/dessert style treat to pass around. More good eats! Make it a great family day by enjoying some of the other goodies available from Andy T's - make your own caramel apples, hay rides, pick-your-own pumpkins, giant corn maze, pumpkin sling shot and more. These activities may cost extra, see Andy T's website at www.andyts.com for more info.

See you there!

Upcoming Events & Dates

Oct 2 - St Francis pet blessing - 130pm - parking lot
Oct 8 - St Casimir's St Vincent De Paul Dinner - 5pm
Oct 9 - dinner with Fr Bill/Deacon John - 5pm @ Bravos
Oct 12 - monthly business meeting - 7pm - room 105
Oct 16 - breakfast after 9am mass
Oct 23 - Family Pumpkin Day at Andy T's - 2-6pm
Oct 29 - 4th Degree exemplification in Flint
Nov 5 - men's prayer breakfast at St Therese
Nov 17-19 - St Casimir Church poker fundraiser
Nov 19 - host Mary Goeddeke mass reception

October Birthdays:

1 - Joe Valenti
9 - John Bugg
10 - Tim Russell, PGK
14 - Matt Pierson
19 - Matt Harper
29 - Lee Peters, PGK



*Commit to the Lord
whatever you do, and
your plans will succeed.*

-Proverbs 16:3



We hope you find this newsletter informative and entertaining. To receive future newsletters via e-mail only, write to KofC9711@comcast.net with your request. It can save us money on postage!

Clergy Appreciation Dinner

October is National Clergy Appreciation Month and Sunday, October 9th is Clergy Appreciation Day. In celebration of this special day, our Council will be taking Fr. Bill, Deacon John and his wife to dinner at Bravo's, located in Eastwood Towne Center. Our Council will pick up the tab for their dinners and we are hoping that other Brother Knights and their wives/families will be joining us for a nice night out. Please RSVP asap to Andy @ 763-8683 or kofc9711@comcast.net so he can reserve the area needed. Dinner time is 5pm.

Knight of the Month

Congratulations to our Knight of the Month for September, 2011 - Bruce Bobb. Aside from his many other activities, including family, work, JDRF volunteering and our Corn Roast Czar, Bruce accepted the challenge to become our newest Grand Knight. Where does he find the time? Thanks, Bruce, and congratulations!

TEXAS HOLD 'EM

Well, as this is being published we are just finishing up another three day event at Stacks, and the prospects look good for another nice amount raised. The next K of C 9711 poker event will be on December 8-9-10. The sign-up sheet for that will probably be on the website in a couple weeks.

The next poker event specifically for St. Casimir Parish will be on November 17-18-19 (Thu - Sat). There is a sign-up sheet link for this on the St. Casimir Church website home page. It is very good what we do for our Council, but we should all also try to help our church directly. The last poker event raised an amount equal to more than 17% of St. Casimir's fiscal first half 2011 debt! The only easier and cheaper fund raiser would be if it fell from the sky! (insert stale joke here)....



From Fr. Bill -

As you know, Jesus often refers to us as "workers in the field". Planting, sowing, reaping. Do we take our worker position seriously? Do we often say..."let someone else do it"? If all said and did that, what would get done? There would be no "Church."

The Apostles - the first workers sent into the field - their work would be for nothing. Their martyrdom would be meaningless. The Church would have stopped about the year 110. However, because so many people, generations, nations and believers did accept their call to be a worker we have the Church alive now in 2011. If it is to continue...living vibrantly and letting people know of God's grace, mercy, forgiveness, redemption and salvation then we must spread the Word in thought, word *and* deed. St. Casimir Parish has long been recognized for it's many works of charity, education, and fine liturgies due to the efforts of many people who work VERY hard. In the past few weeks I have called on parishioners to pray, listen and heed God's call to be a good and faithful worker in the field. Please listen to God. Be a good worker. Volunteer for a ministry. Many can be done right at home. Many take time here at the parish working with others and getting to know our family better. Many help to create life-long friendships with others in the parish. So I ask you... please... pray... listen and heed God's call. Thank you. Fr. Bill

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Next Council Meeting:

WEDNESDAY,
October 12th,

7:00 pm

**St. Casimir School,
room 105**



Next Pancake Breakfast:

Sunday, October 16th

After 9:00am Mass

In the Holy Family Center