



AMBROSE ANCHOR

Ambrose Council — Number 8403 — Knights of Columbus — Fall 2006

Grand Knight's Report



Brother Knights,

First, I would like to thank those members that attended our installation of new officers in July, especially those that stood in for our officers that could not be at the ceremony. Our Chaplain, Fr. Irace, was able to rearrange his schedule so that he could participate in the installation that was conducted by the Worthy District Deputy and the District Chancellor.

In July, I provided the members attending the business meeting an overview of the State Organizational meeting. With respect to getting out information like this, our Worthy Past Grand Knight Bob Elder has volunteered to take on the job of publishing a quarterly newsletter. It is my sincerest hope that the arrival of the newsletter will serve as

motivation to our inactive members to participate more frequently. I want to thank Bob for his effort because many of members simply do not have email or Internet access and it will take additional time on his part to copy, address, stamp and then mail the newsletter. This first newsletter will be a little heavier because it will include a copy of activities schedule for the Fraternal Year 2006-2007. Again, I hope that by distributing the schedule early in the year, members will have a chance to arrange their personal schedules so they can fully participate in our major events.

With August being a month that many fellow brothers are off on vacations, there was not much activity planned. The Knights did do another great job of hosting the Ice Cream Social at the School on the 23rd. A big round of thanks goes to Brothers Hugh, Bob, Joe, Russ and Larry for helping to make it a big success. We dished out nine gallons of ice cream and six cans of whipped cream.

You may have seen the notice in the weekly Church Bulletin that we begin selling football tickets after the Masses starting the weekend of August 27 and throughout September or until they are all gone. I could really use some help, so far only two have signed up to sell tickets at the Masses. If you have the time after one or more of the Masses, please help. And remember, we are using this opportunity to recruit new members. Our First Degree Team needs to be recertified, and it would be great if we had at least two new members by the end of October.

Next month we will swing into high gear with the first Coffee and Donut Sunday along with

our most important event, the retreat at the end of the month at Tabor House. Thanks to Brother Brian Frank, we were able to get into Tabor House on the last weekend in September and hopefully everyone will be able to join us. There are more details on the retreat later in the newsletter.

When you read the schedule you will notice that we plan to return to our tradition of saying the Rosary before each business and social meeting. In addition, the State Deputy has asked that we also include the prayer to St. Michael the Archangel at the close of our meetings.

I am looking forward to the coming year. We have a number of activities planned and we will need everyone's active participation to make them a success. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact me either by email (n4zh@juno.com), phone (703-560-824), or in person at the meetings.

Thanks to Brother Bob Hansen, the material that we sent overseas to help some fine sisters running an orphanage and school in a hostile area has arrived and is making a big impact. We plan to continue to support these wonderful and holy sisters as they continue to do their work under the worst possible conditions. Vivat Jesus.

Terry Hines, Grand Knight

Council Retreat

I am accepting responses now for the day of retreat planned for **Saturday, 30 September, 2006** from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM at Tabor House. Father Paul Wynants will lead us through the retreat.

If it has been a while since you've been on a retreat (or if this is your first opportunity), then I strongly recommend you invest a few hours in this retreat... consider it refreshment for your soul... fuel for your "spiritual engine". Fr. Paul does a great job and has been doing this for the Ambrose Council Knights for many years. After attending this once, you will look forward to the next retreat.

General schedule (based on previous years and subject to Fr. Paul's changes):

- Morning coffee (10:00 AM)
- Prayer
- Talk
- Prayer or private meditation
- Talk
- LUNCH
- Prayer
- Talk
- MASS

Cost includes an individual donation (checks to Fr. Paul Wynants, recommended minimum of \$25) and \$10 for lunch (optional – you can brown bag it or do without).

Please respond by September 15th with your intent to attend by emailing me at frankfamily82@msn.com or calling me at 703-503-2851.

Brian Frank, PGK

Council Financial Report

Ending balances as of 30 June 2006:

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| Charity fund * | \$13,648.86 |
| Operating fund | \$1,896.02 |
| Total | \$15,544.88 |

* included \$4,936.71 in earmarked funds

Knight of Columbus
Council 8403 – St. Ambrose
Fraternal Year Calendar 2006 - 2007

September – 2006

2, 3 September – Sell Football Tickets after 5:00 – 8:00 – 10:00 – 12:00 Masses
9 September – Third Degree, Alexandria Council 5998
9, 10 September – Sell Football Tickets after 5:00 – 8:00 – 10:00 – 12:00 Masses
10 September – Donuts and Coffee – Parrish Activities Hall after 8:00 and 10:00 Masses
12 September – Business Meeting – 7:30 PM Rosary, followed by Meeting
16, 17 September – Sell Football Tickets after 5:00 – 8:00 – 10:00 – 12:00 Masses
23, 24 September – Sell Football Tickets after 5:00 – 8:00 – 10:00 – 12:00 Masses
26 September – Social Meeting – 7:30 PM Rosary, followed by Social Activities
30 September – Council Retreat – Tabor House (10 – 3)

October – 2006

10 October – Business Meeting – 7:30 PM Rosary, followed by Meeting
14 October – Parrish Picnic Set-Up
15 October – Parrish Picnic
20 October – Bingo/Poker Night – Parrish Hall, Set-Up at 17:00
21 October – Third Degree – Chantilly Council 7369
21, 22 October – Keep Christ in Christmas card sales after 5:00 – 8:00 – 10:00 – 12:00 Masses
24 October – First Degree and Team Certification, 7:30 PM Parrish Activities Hall
28, 29 October – Keep Christ in Christmas card sales after 5:00 – 8:00 – 10:00 – 12:00 Masses
28 October – Spaghetti Dinner, School – Begin Cooking and Set-up at 9:00 AM

November – 2006

4, 5 November – Keep Christ in Christmas card sales after 5:00 – 8:00 – 10:00 – 12:00 Masses
5 November – Pancake Breakfast after 8:00 and 10:00 AM Masses
11 November – Blood Drive, Parrish Activities Hall
11, 12 November – Keep Christ in Christmas card sales after 5:00 – 8:00 – 10:00 – 12:00 Masses
14 November – Business Meeting – 7:30 PM Rosary, followed by Meeting
18 November – Tend Bar for the PTO's Annual Dinner/Dance
18, 19 November – Keep Christ in Christmas card sales after 5:00 – 8:00 – 10:00 – 12:00 Masses
25, 26 November – Keep Christ in Christmas card sales after 5:00 – 8:00 – 10:00 – 12:00 Masses
26 November – Keep Christ in Christmas card Sales after 8 – 10 - 12 Mass
28 November – Social Meeting – 7:30 PM Rosary, followed by Social Activities

December – 2006

2, 3 December – Keep Christ in Christmas card sales after 5:00 – 8:00 – 10:00 – 12:00 Masses
3 December – Advent Wreath Pancake Breakfast
12 December – Business Meeting, 7:30 PM Rosary, followed by Meeting
17 December – Breakfast with Santa
26 December – No Social Meeting

January – 2007

- 9 January – Business Meeting, 7:30 PM Rosary, followed by Meeting.
- 20 January – Spaghetti Dinner, School, Begin Cooking and Set-up at 9:00 AM
- 23 January – Social Meeting – 7:30 PM Rosary, (Auto Auction)
- 27 January – Third Degree – Fairfax Council 6292
- 28 January – Donuts and Coffee – Parrish Activities Hall after 8 and 10 AM Masses

February – 2007

- 3- 4 February – Youth Group Ski Trip
- 10 February – Adult Gala – School, Set-Up Only
- 13 February – Business Meeting, 7:30 PM Rosary, followed by Meeting
- 17 February – Family Mardi Gras Party
- 20 February – Shrove Tuesday Dinner 17:00 Set-Up
- 25 February – Third Degree – Sterling Council 6175
- 13 February – Social Meeting – 7:30 PM Rosary, (Auto Auction)

March – 2007

- 11 March – Third Degree, Arlington Council 2473
- 13 March – Business Meeting, 7:30 PM Rosary, followed by Meeting
- 17 March – Saint Patrick's Day Party (13:00 Set- Up)
- 27 March – Social Meeting – 7:30 PM Rosary, (Auto Auction)

April – 2007

- 8 April – Easter
- 10 April – Business Meeting, 7:30 PM Rosary, (KOVAR Planning)
- 19–22 April – KOVAR – Immediate St. Ambrose Area
- 21 April – KOVAR Collections after 5:00 PM Mass
- 22 April – KOVAR Collections after 8 – 10 - 12 Masses
- 24 April – First Degree, 7:30 PM Parrish Activities Hall

May – 2007

- 6 May – Pancake Breakfast – after the 8:00 and 10:00 AM Masses
- 8 May – Business Meeting, 7:30 PM Rosary, followed by Meeting
- 18 May – Bingo and Poker Night – Parrish Activities Hall 17:00 Set-Up
- 22 May – Social Meeting – 7:30 PM Rosary, followed by Social Activities

June – 2007

- 3 June – Coffee and Donuts – Parrish Activities Hall after 8 and 10 AM Masses
- 9 June – Third Degree, Manassas Council 5332
- 12 June – Business Meeting, 7:30 PM Rosary, followed by Meeting
- 24 June – Appreciation Dinner – 5:00 PM, Parrish Activities Hall
- 26 June – Social Meeting – 7:30 PM Rosary, followed by Social Activities