



Father Solanus Casey Council 11276 January 06

Dear Brother Knights,

What a great year we had! We are looking forward to an even better year in 2006.

We were really blessed with great support from brother nights and their families during our annual helping hand campaign. All your financial support was much appreciated and totaled near \$1200. We received 15 turkeys from Brother Bob Wantz's employer, United Technologies Control Systems in Huntington. This gift was much appreciated. We were able to store the turkeys at GFS until Brother Dave Preston handed out the turkeys and \$50 dollar gift certificates to Scott's to 14 deserving families in Fort Wayne. GFS has always helped us out and is also deserving of our thanks. We were also able to help a family in great need in Father Dale's parish with a \$400 gift. I personally would like to thank Brother Dave Preston, Robbie McCarty, Larry Wilson, and Gary Winters for their help in making this event a success. They stepped in for me to complete this activity, due to my Vacation schedule.

I would also like to take the time to congratulate all of you in your efforts in recruitment last year. We had a great year. However, we cannot rest now! We need to let everyone know the important work we do and ask them to join our brotherhood. Remember no matter what little time we have these days; we need to take the time to do God's work. One way to do this is through the Knights. Besides the Helping Hand event, we have supported the Mentally Handicapped through our Tootsie Roll Drive. We also supported three seminarians, local youth groups, the new Catholic Radio Station 1450 AM, Father Abraham's village, and so much more in 2005. How are we able to do all of this? The answer is through your contributions of talent and wealth in fundraiser events. However, we could do so much more! One-way to do this is thru recruitment. So please, for 2006, make it a goal of yours to recruit at least one new member. Sometimes all you have to do is ask. If you need any help or materials feel free to give myself a call.

We will be sponsoring a Saint Valentines Dance "Silhouettes" on Saturday, Feb. 11th at St Elizabeth's from 7:30-11 PM. The cost will be \$20 per couple. Music will be provided by DJ Charlie Butcher (WOWO radio personality). Pre purchase of tickets will be required. Watch bulletin for details. Talk to your friends about attending. Also be prepared to write down that special song to submit to the DJ list when purchasing tickets. If you are interested in helping please contact Ed Eckersall (459-2114) or myself ASAP. The more help we have the more we all can enjoy some dancing with our Sweethearts.

I would like to leave you with one more thought. We were founded on the thought of helping our fellow Catholic Church, priests, brother Knights and families, and the community. This is done through are core principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. So if you know of a need to help, please act on it. Enlist the help of your brothers by attending a meeting (Every 1st Tuesday of every month at 7:30 PM.) and making your cause known.

God bless all of you throughout this New Year!

Chris Pozorski
Deputy Grand Knight
260-459-0800

Update on Past Events:

\$1,135 in donations was collected for the Christmas Charitable drive. Majority of this money was collected from council members. 13 families received a \$50 Scott's gift certificate along with a Turkey.

2 families name we're provided by Jim Kitchens and received similar gifts.

1 family from Bluffton received a \$400 gift.

A letter of thanks will be sent to United Technologies and Gordon Food Services for their support of this event.

Thanks to the following families for their donations:

Chris & Lynette Pozorski
Dan & Cheryl Kartholl
Patrick & Phyllis Doyle
Mike Wedler
James & Dorothy Ray
Don & Theresa Clomente
Tom & Christina Centlivre
Tom & Denise Digate
John & Martha Riecke
Glenn & Ramona Housr
Gary & Theresa Petzer
Ron & Barbara Beeckmon
George & Kathleen Schenkel
Lee & Dorothy Rademaker
Gary & Paula Jackle
Martin Hochstetler
Paul & Londa Habecker
Mark & Shellie Nice
Tom & Cathy Cummings
Mike Landrigan
Fr. David Ruppert
Gary & Carol Denning
Mike & Kimberly Crompt
Louise & Nancy Connelly
Alex Fiato
Chris & Majella Scheer

Upcoming Events:

St. Joseph Ministry Fair on January 15th. The council will be serving pancakes and sausage from 8:00 to 11:30. Please contact Robbie McCarty @ 436-9342 or rmccarty@verizon.net to volunteer.

Eric Rowan will make a presentation to the Knights on January 17th. Eric attended the World Youth gathering in Germany. Our council made a donation to Eric to help cover some of his expenses.

A district meeting will be held on Jan 18th at St Elizabeth at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. All members are welcome at this meeting.

Supper Bowl pancake breakfast, to be held at St. Elisabeth's on Sunday February 5th. Please contact Robbie McCarty @ 436-9342 or rmccarty@verizon.net to volunteer.

Saint Valentines Dance "Silhouettes" to be held at St. Elisabeth's on Feb 11th. The cost will be \$20 per couple, which includes, food, beer, wine and soft drinks. This dance is open to all council members and parish families.

Dr. Ray Guarendi to Speak at St. Elizabeth. Dr. Ray Guarendi, co-host of the popular Catholic radio program, *The Doctor is In*, will be giving a series of talks at St. Elizabeth parish in February.

We will look forward to promoting his visit on the air and perhaps he can host his show from our studio as well.

If you are 1st Degree and are looking to take the next step, here are the upcoming 2nd and 3rd Degree dates.

Auburn, In. on Jan 29th.

A 4th degree initiation will be held in Ft Wayne in the summer of 2006.

Contact Alex Fiato @ 432-0403, Chris Pozorski @ 459-0800 or Greg Diss at 432- 2485 for more details.

Next social meeting will be on Tuesday January 17th in the basement of the Rectory of St. Elizabeth Parish.

The next business meeting is on Tuesday February 7th in the basement of the Rectory of St. Elizabeth Parish.

Redeemer Radio News

How About a Redeemer Radio Bumper Sticker? We have brand new Redeemer Radio bumper stickers and window clings hot off the press. Please let us know and we'll mail you one or both to display on your vehicle. Around the country, this has proved to be a very important means of building listeners.

Send Request to:
Chris Langford
President, Redeemer Radio
4705 Illinois Road
Ft. Wayne, IN 46804
260-436-9598

Can You Help with Acquisition Expenses? We are grateful to Tower Bank for financing our station purchase. However, we now owe \$650K and need to make monthly payments. Please consider helping us. Furthermore, we need to purchase a backup satellite receiver and antenna. Your tax-deductible contribution can be made to "Redeemer Radio" at P.O Box 5636, Ft. Wayne, IN 46895.

Other News

KofC shirts are available for current and new members of our council. Contact Chris Pozorski @ 459-0800 or lcpozorski@verizon.net to order a shirt. He will be able to give you a price and availability.

If you have anything you would like to include in the newsletter, please send it to rmccarty@verizon.net. Deadline is the Friday after the business meeting.

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Redeemer Radio Information
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