



Knights of Columbus

St. Clare of Assisi Council 12851
Surprise, Arizona
www.kofc12851.org

2011
February



Please pray for our Seminarians, Brandon Averbeck and Keith Kenney



The Annual Knights of Columbus Priest Appreciation Dinner for the Diocese of Phoenix will be hosted by SS Simon and Jude Cathedral Council #12708. Each Knight is encouraged to donate the price of a ticket to sponsor a Priest in the Diocese. Invitations have been sent to over 300 Priests. Remember not only must your Parish Priests, Council Chaplains and Faithful Friars receive our appreciation but all other Priests in the diocese as well. In past years over one third of the Priests in attendance were not associated with a Parish. This is our chance to show ALL our Priests our appreciation, they ALL deserve our gratitude. Please show your support by attending and sponsoring a Priest. If you cannot be there yourself, it is still fitting to subsidize a Priest's dinner.

SS Simon and Jude Cathedral, Smith Hall
6351 N. 27th Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85017
Cocktails at 6 P.M.(No Host) Dinner will be served at 7 P.M.
Friday, March 4, 2011
Dinner Catered by "Sharko's"
The cost will be \$35.00 in advance
RSVP by Friday, February 19, 2011
This Dinner is for Priests and Knights only

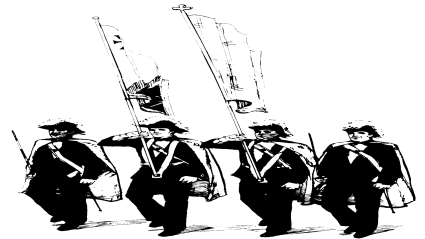
Our **Annual Dinner Dance** will be held on, **Saturday, March 19th, 2011** at **Prince of Peace Hall**. Tickets are \$35 Per person. So far we have **12 tables taken with 49 paid**. See page 2 for details.



Our **Annual Drawing for Charitable Projects** with the **Arizona State Council** is underway. There are **3 big trips plus 7 money prizes**. Donation: **\$5.00 or 5 for \$20.00**. Half of all the money taken in will be returned to the Council.

Fourth Degree:

I am seeking additional **Flags from Veterans**, to fly them at **St Clare** in their **honor** as they need to be replaced. An article will be put in the church bulletin. **Gene Mialki FDM.**



Next Business Meeting: Thursday, February 17, 2011 @ 7:30 PM

Directions to Church: 17111 W. Bell Road. This is at the corner of West Bell Road and Cotton Lane.

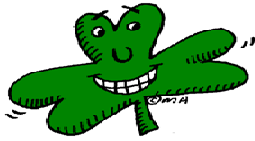
CONGRATS!!

Knight of the Month:
Vincent McGrath



Family of the Month:
Robert Bluhm

MEMBERS THAT NEED PRAYERS:
Frank DeMello, Tim Leary,
Carl Malanga, Americo Posillico.



Have dinner and dance the night away at the St Patrick's Day dinner and dance on Sat, March 19. Our DJ plays jigs, tarantellas, and polkas along with waltzes, dances from the 60's through the 80's and the great fun dances for groups. Corned beef and cabbage, lemon chicken, salad and a Bavarian cream layered cake are dinner fare. Beer, wine, pop, coffee and tea are all included. You'll have a good time at the Prince of Peace hall in SCW. Call Gene Mialki or John Finan for tix or buy them at coffee time at St. Clare's Hall after the 8:45 and 11 AM masses starting on Sunday Jan 23. Tix only \$35 pp. Bring your friends for a fun time and win some good prizes too! Buy your tix ASAP and reserve a table for 8 for your group.

TREASURER'S REPORT- FEBRUARY, 2011

<u>For the Period Ending</u>	<u>1.20.11</u>
Bank Balance as of 12.16.10	\$1388.76
Total Deposits	\$2494.50
Total Expenditures	\$480.81
Balance as of 1.20.11	\$3402.45



GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT



Our quarterly **Corporate Communion** was held on **Sunday, January 9th**, at the **11 AM Mass** with **65** Brothers and Family members in attendance. Thank you for being there.

Our **January** meeting was attended by **40 Brother Knights**, including our **Worthy Chaplain Fr Hans**, and **District Deputy John Finan**. Social was held after the meeting. We also recognized **Brothers Dale Hamacher** and **Robert Meyer** with their **Honorary Life Membership** cards and pins. They both had 40 plus years with the Knights. We also had **two Brother Knights** transfer into our Council.

Number of hours of volunteer service expended by members during **2010** was **8222**, **Sick & Bereaved** visits **1617**, and **Fraternal Service** was **181**, with **4 Blood Donors**.

We had **two Brother Knights** pass away in January: **Francesco Difilippo** and **Robert Moreno**.

We do a **raffle** at all meetings with a guaranteed prize of **\$20**. The rest goes into our **Vocation Fund** to help support our **two Seminarians**.

I would like to thank all the **Brother Knights and their Wives** for helping out with the **Coffee and Donuts**. **THANK YOU.....**

The **Parishioners** are really appreciative of this service. Its **purpose** is to build **Community**.

GENE



FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

In the next few days, all brother knights who have not paid their dues for 2011 will be receiving a **SECOND NOTICE**. Please mail your dues to me as soon as possible. There are still very many brothers who have not paid.

Make your checks payable to **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #12851** and mail them to me:

ART GRATTON
17652 W WEATHERBY DR
SURPRISE AZ 85374-3008

If you have already paid your dues or you are an **HONORARY LIFE** member, **THANK YOU** for helping to make my job a little easier.

If you have paid and cannot make it to our meetings or see me at coffee and donuts after the 11:00 AM Mass, send me a self addressed stamped envelope and I will mail your membership card back to you.

ART



Ask eligible men to join

Usually, I use this space to talk about our safe, secure life insurance, retirement and long-term care products. This time, I want to address the growth of the Order. All of us this is the fuel that keeps this great fraternal engine running. All of our charitable works in the council, state, national and international level are thanks to our hard-working members.

We also recognize that the membership blitz is a tried and true way for councils to increase their numbers. We see these pushes often in March, in celebration of Founder's Day, and again in October. These drives are successful because brother Knights are more visible than normal, during and after Masses and at special events. We remember to ask each and every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the Church, community and Order.

During the rest of the year, we often "forget" to ask men to join our ranks and bring their families into the Knights of Columbus family. You probably know an eligible Catholic man you could ask today. Chances are that the only reason he hasn't joined already is because **no one asked him.**

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Ladies K of C FEBRUARY 2011 Meeting

The Lady Knights will meet in the hall on Thursday, February 17th. All wives of knights are welcome to attend. We are an informal group which meets to get to know each other and help the Knights with their projects. This month we will again talk about the upcoming St Patrick's Day dinner dance. Ruth Finan has everything well organized and will give us an update. Our most important task is to sell tickets to our friends and neighbors. Some of us are also putting raffle baskets together. Hope to see everyone there.



NEW MEMBERS, DEGREES & TRANSFERS FOR THIS NEWSLETTER:

TRANSFER IN

Bill Ford
Tom Heimsath

TRANSFER OUT

Joe Van Parys

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

By Deacon Steve

By patient endurance you will save your lives.....Luke 21:19

Reflection:

Practice Patience toward everyone, and especially towards yourself. Never be disturbed because of your imperfections, but always get up bravely after a fall.

Prayer:

God of patience, let me endure my imperfections without rebelling. Help me to be patient with myself as well as others.

Happy Birthday!!

Council members who celebrate a Birthday in FEBRUARY!!

- 2-Feb John Julian
- 3-Feb Jerry Malone
- 14-Feb Vallentino Bianchini
- 12-Feb Jim Siford
- 15-Feb Jim Jacques
- 16-Feb Bob Kosmal
- 25-Feb Brad Harkleroad
- 26-Feb Amos Woodruff
- 27-Feb Joe Murcko
- 27-Feb John Tenuta
- 28-Feb Phil Derrig

AZ STATE COUNCIL:

The Arizona State Council is the governing body for the Knights of Columbus in the jurisdiction (state) of Arizona. Go to this site for more details-

<http://www.azknightsofcolumbus.com/index.html>



The Officers Meetings are open to members the first Thursday each month at The Catholic Outreach Center, 12301 W. Bell Road, Suite A, Surprise at 7:30 PM.



**#12851 FEBRUARY, 2011 CALENDAR OF
EVENTS**

- 02/03 12851 Officers Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 02/06 Coffee & Donuts 7, 8:45 & 11 AM Masses
- 02/08 4th Degree Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 02/13 Coffee & Donuts 7, 8:45 & 11 AM Masses
- 02/14 1st Degree @ 7114 7:30 PM
- 02/17 12851 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 02/20 Coffee & Donuts 7, 8:45 & 11 AM Masses
- 02/21 1st Degree in Parish Hall
- 02/27 Coffee & Donuts 7, 8:45 & 11 AM Masses

**GOD'S ON THE LINE.
DON'T HANG UP!**
Vocations Are Everybody's Business

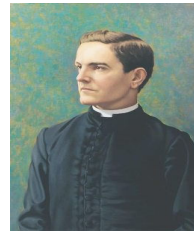
**JESUS NEEDS YOU,
DON'T SAY NO!**
Vocations Are Everybody's Business

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT

Wishing each of you a happy February.....please aks at least one person if they would like to be a K of C. I'm praying for each of you.



JOHN



NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Thank you for reading this NL and we hope you find it informative. If you have anything to add don't hesitate to write or call, 623.398.6671.



Council #12851 Officers– 2010/2011



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