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# Knights of Columbus St. Pius X, Charles J. Kercher Council 10004

## **Grand Knight's Letter**

## Dear Brother Knights,

I would like to thank all who have contributed to our activities during the 1st four months of our Fraternal Year.

The two biggest efforts were the Maple Street Project and the Trivia Night for St. Vincent DePaul. The Maple Street effort was to assist a Brother's widow in cleaning up her yard. This extensive task required a group effort over several weekends. The project brought other parish organizations to assist including Boy Scouts. This outstanding effort reflects on the order's first principle, Charity. John Kowalczyk and Mike Sweeney are to be congratulate for their efforts pulling together this major effort.

The Trivia Night for St. Vincent DePaul raised \$1050. I would like to thank Dave Collins for organizing the evening's event. It was a fun evening for all.

This year again, we will sponsor "Keep Christ in Christmas" card sales. Otto Hertwig has taken the leadership role in selling the Christmas cards. He needs assistance during the November and December weekends with sales. Please consider purchasing your Christmas cards from us.

One activity that we initiated this year was a family social night on the 4th Thursday of the month. We have held two such events. The first was well attended but the second evening's attendance was disappointing. We will restart the social nights in the new year beginning in January. If you have any suggestions for family activities, please let me or Mike Sweeney know.

I am committed to growing our Council through active recruitment of new members. Each of you may know some individual within the St. Pius X Community who maybe interested. We also want to reactivate those Knights who have dropped out due to a variety of reasons. Rick Humburg and Russell Tonning have taken the lead in handling the Admission Committee. We need your participations in the admission committee process to give potential recruits insight into our council's activities.

We want to continue to let the St. Pius X Community know of our activities. Mike Sweeney has taken on the task of handling our publicity. Please send Mike your photos and write ups on our activities, he will get the information published. Remember our web site is:

## www. kofc10004.com

I wish each of you and your family an blessed Thanksgiving.

Vivat Jesus,

#### **Pat Barnes**

Grand Knight

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## **Upcoming Events—November and December**

#### **November:**

## Keep Christ In Christmas Card Sale in November

8th - Admission Committee Meeting—St. Pius Library

11th - Veterans Day -11:00 A.M. Veterans Memorial Park

- Business Meeting -7:15 P.M. RM 13/15

14th - Monthly Breakfast- Parish Center

- Lunch for The Monastery Of the Holy Spirit

19th - 7:00 P.M. Memorial Mass for Deceased Members & reception .

21st - Family Dinner after 5:00 P.M. Mass—Parish Center

25th - Happy Thanksgiving



#### Keep Christ In Christmas Cards Sale in December

5th - Breakfast with Santa - Parish Center

8th - Feast of the Immaculate Conception

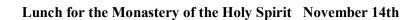
9th - Business Meeting—7:15 P.M. RM 13/15

11th - Atlanta Boys Choir—Car Parking @ Monastery of the Holy Spirit starting at 5:00 P.M.

- 4th Degree Christmas Party - Reynolds Plantation— All Council Knights& Spouses are invited (see additional details in this issue.)

25th - Merry Christmas

31st - New Year's Eve



On November 14th, we are committed to both our Monthly Parish breakfast and preparing Lunch for the Monastery Community . This will require a number of brothers to be able to support both events. The lunch for the Monastery will be smoked fish , a variety of side dishes and desert. We will be able to use some of the facilities such as dishes and silverware at the monastery but we will have to provide others. I have asked the Women's auxiliary to assist in with the side dishes and deserts. Please contact Tim DeSmet @ 678-644-8893 or email: <a href="mailto:tdesmet@bellsouth.net">tdesmet@bellsouth.net</a> to let him know if you can help.



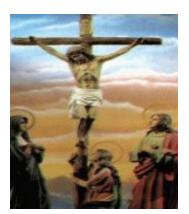
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## Memorial Mass for Deceased Brothers November 19th @ 7:00 P.M.

The Memorial Mass for Deceased Brothers of Our Council is an annual event . Bill Bates is handling the arrangements for the Memorial. He has invited the widows as well as family members who are living locally to attend. In the past attendance by Council Brothers has been poor. I encourage each of you and your families to attend this event which honors our deceased brothers. A reception will follow the mass. It is an opportunity to reconnect with these families and as well as to see if there is any assistance we can provide.

## Family Dinner—November 21th

Our Quarterly Family Dinner will be held following the 5:00 P.M. Mass on Sunday evening. The Dinner will be in the Parish Hall. The main entrée will Lasagna and families are asked to bring salads and deserts. Since the Lasagna will be coming from a local restaurant will need to get a headcount so that sufficient quantity is ordered. Please let me know either by email: pmbmc66@bellsouth.net or phone:770-922-7293. **Deadline is Wednesday November 17th.** 



#### Tootsie Roll Drive—December 4th

We started off with a nice rush of volunteers but the surge has died and I still need many hands for us to have a successful charity drive on December 4. Bob Ashmore is again handling the project and below are his manpower needs:

#### Collectors and Tootsie Roll distributors:

#### Kroger 212 and Browns Bridge

11am-1pm need 3-4 people

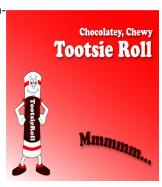
1pm-3pm need 3-4 people

#### Kroger Conyers

9 am -11am need 2-3 people

11am-1pm need 3-4 people

1pm-3pm need 2-3 people



### Food Depot Salem Road

9am-11am need 3-4 people

11am-1pm need 2-3 people

1pm-3pm need 3-4 people

Money runners to collect money at the end of each shift and return to Ernie Thayer. We need two for each shift. Many times in the past the same two worked the entire day. Currently no volunteers. Money counters (to work with Ernie Thayer) 11 am-1-pm need 2, 1pm-3pm need 2, 3pm-finish need 2-3

We have taken Food Lion off the list for right now as we do not have their corporate approval. Watch for updates on the need to cover that store if they come through.

Please step up and volunteer a bit of your time for this great cause. Many of you brother knights take this on as your one annual activity to support. I need to hear from you. this is a great time to meet and socialize with other brother knights who you may not get to speak with very often as well as doing a good turn for the community.

Thanks in advance for your help. Please email me directly at rgashmore@comcast.net.

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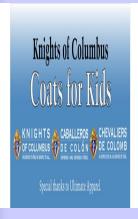
A VERY SPECIAL
CHRISTMAS CONCERT TO BE
GIVEN AT
THE MONASTERY
OF THE HOLY
SPIRIT
Atlanta Boy Choir
Christmas Concert

Dec 11th

Door Open 6:30 P.M.

## Atlanta Boy Choir Concert December 11th- Setting Up and Parking

The monastery of the Holy Spirit will again hold its annual Atlanta Boy Choir Concert. The proceeds from the concert support the monastery's Food Pantry. Again , we are asked to help set up chairs in the church as well as parking cars at the monastery. Since this is the same night as the St. Maximilian Kolbe Assembly Christmas Party, we will need some new volunteers. In the past, most of the volunteers have been 4th degree members. I am anticipating that some of them will attend the Christmas Party. We also require someone to take a leadership role and work with Brother Callistus in coordinating this effort. Please let me or Joe Harding know if you can spare a few hours either setting up chairs or parking cars. A benefit is that you get free admission to attend the concert.



#### **Coats for Kids Initiative**

During the winter of 2009-10, the Knights of Columbus continued its Coats for Kids program, bringing new, warm coats to children throughout the United States and Canada.

The initiative was part of the Order's Help a Child in Need campaign, which began in 2006 with a nationwide television appeal for donations to charities that support the needs of children.

After an overwhelming need for warm winter coats was made worse by the economic climate, the Coats for Kids initiative was born.

"As our nation faces tough economic times, we believe it is very important to respond within our communities in concrete ways to help those most in need," said Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson. "Helping children in need was a fundamental reason for the formation of the Knights of Columbus in 1882 and continues to be an important component of our work today."

About 10,000 coats from Ultimate Apparel were distributed in more than 20 cold-weather cities throughout North America.

I have asked the Trustees to investigate how we can participate in this program as well as identifying children who are in need of coats. The cost to the council is \$15 per coat. One possible option is join with other Councils in our district in identifying children and pooling our resources. If you know of children in need of a winter coat please contact one of the Council's Trustees.



#### The Lake Club At Reynolds Plantation

St. Maximilian Kolbe Assembly

**Annual Christmas Party December 11th** 

The St. Maximilian Kolbe Assembly # 3085 annual Christmas party has been scheduled for December 11th. All Council Knights and their spouses or significant others are cordially invited to attend this annual event. The Christmas Party time schedule is shown . The event will start with Corporate Communion Mass at Christ Our King and Savior at 5:00 P.M. The Christmas Party will be held at the Lake Club at Reynolds plantation in Greensboro, GA.

Christmas Party Events Schedule:

- -Mass at Christ Our King and Savior Church in Greensboro at 5:00pm (arrive by 4:45pm to sit with group)
- -Cocktails at the Lake Club at 6:30pm (cash bar)
- -Entertainment by the Reynolds Chorus with their Christmas carol and patriotic song program at 7:00pm
- -Dinner Buffet at 7:30pm
- -"White Elephant" gift exchange (~\$20 value per couple) at 8:30pm( If you are Interested)

Dress = Sir Knights in tuxedo with social baldric or Knights in business suit Women in evening attire

To attend please contact Wally Marcis, Assembly Comptroller. Wally can be reached at 706-431-4112 or by email: <a href="wlymarcis@plantationcable.net">wlymarcis@plantationcable.net</a>

The commitment to attend (This is a private party and catered event. A guaranteed number must be submitted to the Club in advance. Commitment to come is a commitment to pay regardless of later circumstances.)

Buffet at \$35 per person	\$35	X	attending	=	
Attend mass as a group					
Participate in gift exchange					
Clothing/toiletries donation to l	ocal vete	erans gro	ip (more details later)		

#### **Cut-off date = December 4, 2010**

Checks should be made out to Walter Marcis (the reason for this, the entire evening is billed to Wally's club account)

Mail Checks to: Walter Marcis

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