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Calendar

Feb	2	1 st Friday Rosary	7:15pm	Chapel
	3	Free Throw Competition	TBD	HNJ Pavillion
	6	KoC Business Mtg	7:30pm	HNJ Community Room
	11	Corporate Communion Breakfast/Mass	8:45am	
	20	Social Meeting	7:30pm	HNJ Community Room
	23	Fish Fry (Tenative)		

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From Your Grand Knight:

Frank Montelione

Welcome to 2007.

If you haven't attended a meeting lately you would be greatly surprised at the attendance and the many new faces we see.

During your first degree everyone was instructed as to the conduct and courtesies extended at our Business meetings. I realize the awe and mysteries that are presented at the Exemplification. It is easy to put this message in storage in your mind and forget the lesson. Allow me to refresh your memories.

The meeting agenda is one that is recommended by Supreme. As the Council is called to order (one rap) all stand. Two raps – be seated. Three raps – stand. If you wish to address the Council or the Grand Knight please wait to be recognized by the GK. When you are then rise, address the GK as “Worthy Grand Knight” and for the benefit of all the new brothers, give your name. You should do this even if you are addressing another brother. Please keep your remarks short. Be courteous and polite at all times.

Class dismissed.

Catholic Days at the Capitol in Tallahassee has been set for March 13th by the Florida Catholic Conference (FCC). Catholic Days 2007 begins Tuesday March 13 with the FCC legislative briefing at 3p.m. in the Civic Center.

The State of Florida elected officials are very accessible. Our county's Representatives and Senators are pro-life. However, the power of the vote is very strong and you can have an opportunity to speak to either the official or the Legislative Aide. Our Pro-Life Couple, Ernie and Betina Muro, will be receiving information as to what legislation is being proposed. Even though our officials are on the right side of this issue it is most important that you reinforce our views to them.

I will be planning to have a guest speaker, the District Assistant to Representative Needelman, Trained Advocate for the American Cancer Society, past Field Director for the Republican Party of Florida, past Republican State Committeeman and past Vice-Chair of the Brevard Republican Executive Committee explain how to lobby and “advocate” for a cause. By the way – that happens to be me.

FCC has blocks of rooms available in 4 hotels, but the hotel reservation deadlines range from Feb 12 to March 8; rates vary. The registration deadline for Catholic Days is March 10th. So plan now! More information and registration forms are available at www.flacathconf.com.

If you haven't been to the Capitol, it's an exiting place during Session. It is important to let your representatives know how you feel about any topic. During Catholic Days at the Capitol you will be with other brothers and like minded people. Take a few days to see how your government works. Take a few days to express your views. Take a few days to make a difference.

Vivat Jesus
Frank

Potpourri from the Deputy Grand Knight

Dale Sanders January 17, 2007

Happy New Year to all and I hope the Christmas and New Year holidays were as good for your families as they were for us. Sue and I were able to visit five active and healthy grandchildren in Virginia this year and return relatively rested as opposed to our arrival here last year sick with every kid virus known to man that took us until March to really shake! Hard to believe January is half over and with the weather we are having I could only wish for 11 more months of winter!

Getting back into the KC routine, Grand Knight Frank and I were amazed as we spent the better part of a morning reviewing events thus far in the fraternal year as preparation for our mid year breakfast planning session 1/20/07. Our activities have been impressive. Membership has grown, and we can take pride in how we are currently serving our church, its school, our local community, as well as our level of service and support within the Florida State council.

We had two HNJ Spelling Bee contestants make it to the Regional level in Tampa this month. Our vocations effort is supporting a third seminarian this year, and we have begun a monthly First Friday Rosary devotional. Internally we have developed our very own First Degree team with a successful exemplification conducted on Columbus Day, and we are currently working on a Lenten fish fry fund raiser to bring to the parish this spring. The fraternal year is only half over and there is no telling what we can accomplish so long as we continue to reach out and touch our parish and community!

Upcoming events include another 'everybody' activity, our annual Tootsie Roll drive, that supports the handicapped and challenged. Almost 100% of what we collect while standing outside Wal-Mart's, Winn Dixie and Publix get returned and distributed to the local agencies we designate within our local community. Please respond when contacted and volunteer for as many shifts as you can handle.

This is a great project for all you new guys to introduce your children, grandchildren and families to the principle of Charity the lesson taught in our 1st degree. Bring them with you and get them involved, children helping out is like a magnet for donations and helps open their eyes to what your efforts mean. We raised and returned almost \$4M to local agencies last year. The project should generate 3-4 times this amount, unfortunately it doesn't, however with everyone's help we hope to exceed last year's total. This will probably not be the most exciting event you will ever encounter, but at the end of the shift/day you simply feel good about what you did and the knowledge your good effort does such good things for those less fortunate. Please support this event you'll be glad you did!

Make sure you get a current roster downloaded from our website that you will find posted this month and updated monthly as new members join us. For those without computer capability, we will have some hard copies to distribute at upcoming meetings. There is nothing more awkward than calling a brother having a spouse answer and not having a name at your disposal. We are a big family, download and use this resource and let's get to know each other a little better. We are also discussing ways to finally get name tags off the back burner, ordered and in council use, and get more KC logo shirts, (also with names). We have grown significantly over the past several years, order your shirt and be readily identifiable while on parish and community KC events!

In closing, we still need a **chairman for the Basketball Free Throw** competition for which the local competition needs to be completed by early February to advance our winners to the District level. Last year we had three kids proceed to advanced levels of competition. There's **not much to running the event, simply enjoy kids shooting baskets** and retrieving the errand ball! **CALL ME FOR THE PACKET. IT WOULD BE A SHAME IF THE EVENT FALLS TO THE WAYSIDE FOR LACK OF A CHAIRMAN. I guarantee you all the help you will need.**

There is a Lot going on, get involved/stay involved. This is your council!

Peace & God Bless,
Dale

Pro Life Update

Ernie Muro

Cardinal Javier Lozano, president of the Pontifical Council for Health Care, has stated that Catholics cannot, in conscience, support a politician who favors legal abortion.

"A son of the Church cannot consider himself to be in full communion if he supports what the Church condemns." An informed Catholic voter, he said, "should know how to distinguish between what represents an attack on life and what promotes the defense of life."

Instrumentum Laboris, a document from the Synod of Bishops states: "Some receive Communion while denying the teachings of the Church or publicly supporting immoral choices in life, such as abortion,; without thinking they are committing an act of dishonesty and scandal."

Correction to Jan Newsletter. In the Notes from the Dec Business Meeting section - KofC Spelling Bee... Andrew Lim and John Platt won the District competition and will be going to Tampa in January to compete in the Regional competition. If one or both win at the Regional, they will be attending the State competition.