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From the Grand Knight, Rick Broderick

Do I dare say here we go again? Every time I think we just can't do any more Bishop Verot Council comes through again. We continue to live our creed

"In Serve to One, In Service to All". The Knights first and foremost are an organization to provide service in the name of Jesus. We are here to pick up our cross and follow Him. Brothers we're

actually doing just that – I know it may be more than some of you signed on for, but stay with me, as He did with us. He never abandoned us, never said: "no I won't take up the cross"– for imagine if He had? So as I said let's look to how else we can serve our Parish and Community; including other brothers in need. If you have an idea bring it

forth and we'll give it a try.

So what have we done over the past month or so:



Blue Mass honoring our police, rescue and firemen.

Memorial Mass – what a terrific way to thank our fallen Knights and remember them and their widows. We really need to thank Jim Gallagher and Bill Orosz, as well as Jim Kiffer for really making this special.

Pro-life prayer at the abortion clinic in Orlando – yes several Knights and

their families went and prayed for the unborn.

Public Rosary service – many Knights supported this with over 100 attending, first of its kind here at

HNJ and all parish priests supported this service. The Rosary - what a great way to show our Catholicism.

First Friday Rosary lead by our fellow brother and Deacon John Farrell and his wife Leanna – beautiful, thank you both for making this

so special to close our calendar year and open the Liturgical year.

Tootsie Roll Handicapped Drive at Patrick AFB – great start for our drive to help local handicapped needs. This was a joint effort with our friends at Msgr. Martin B. Power Council – special thanks to GK Gerry Grillo and PGK Richard While.

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Pro-Life Information from Jeffery Dallape, Chancellor

The **Annual March for Life** is held on January 22 in Washington, D.C., commemorates the anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's infamous Roe v. Wade decision that legalized abortion on January 22, 1973. All Knights and

their families, particularly those in the greater Washington, D.C., area, and nearby states, will be joining the march. Knights who cannot go to Washington can participate in the St Augustine March for Life.

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Our **Council Website** is always a great place to check out our current activities and get a look at our goings on. The website is: www.bishopverot5845.org . I encourage you to take a look and give me your thoughts. Frank Montelione is our Web Master so if you want to have something added to the website, send it to me or Frank: lion1948@earthlink.net .



From the Grand Knight, Rick Broderick (Cont'd)

Family of the Month

It's always an important task picking the Family of the Month, but December makes it even harder based on Christmas as it's important we give it to a couple that really illustrates their Christianity during the Season. As many of you know Sue Saunders has taken a lead role for the Bible on Parade over the past 5 years and continues to make her "Sacred Cow" a major success at that event. Dale always worries about having enough Knights and Knight Families to really make this a special event. He always ends with a saying that this year the Holy Spirit came through again. The Holy Spirit really began Christmas as Mary conceived with the power of the Holy Spirit; the Holy Spirit filled Joseph with the ability to accept this. Those two actions allowed Our Lord and Savior to be born into the Holy Family. It was my great honor to recognize the Saunders for their efforts in this regard and they truly are the Family of the Month.

Knight of the Month

This is another award that continues to be hard to give by picking an individual to be honored as we as a Council continue to do so much good work that I could consistently give it to all the membership. New members have stepped up and are helping us do more without way overtaxing our membership. Also some of our longer term members are returning and offering their help. This has been especially gratifying to me as I always respect our elder statesmen and know how much they've contributed so to get them to get reinvigorated well that's just great!

Accordingly one of our long term Knights has stepped forward and returned to active duty! He has volunteered at much of the past events in spite of his back issues and even agreed to take on our Tootsie Roll Drive for 2011. Bill Drescher has earned the title of Knight of the Month for his efforts and I thank him for this accordingly!!

Christmas Tree Drive – Wow Ron Snyder, Mike MacKay and Pat Cass did it but not without a lot of brotherly help!!! Do you know we had 27 Knights at the set up at one time and over 30 over the course of the day! This shows we're getting deeper support so thanks guys! Many of our new Knights showed up to make a difference in both setting it up and manning the lot. The Tree Lot sales were fantastic and exceeded all expectations - Mike MacKay did his magic ordering the right amount and even though we got more small trees than we may have wanted, Pat did his magic selling virtually all the trees at our full price! Ron Snyder did his magic setting the lot up and we had over 100 Knights involved with this event! Total net profit is almost \$15,000, nearly \$5000 more than projected!!!! Dennis Mannion a prospect has been at most of our events this month so what a honor to have a candidate be so involved.

Bible on Parade – another great turn out for the Knights especially with three other events going on simultaneously! This would never have been attempted before! Sue Saunders is fantastic at this – thanks Sue for again making this a major success for both the Knights and HJN!!

Knights Breakfast - the first utilizing the new kitchen and what a success for our first attempt. Does anyone want to take this as a

quarterly event?

Christmas Party – Christmas party was a major success and everyone indicated their absolute enjoyment. There were estimated to have been around 200 in attendance and I think this probably sets a record and more importantly should help us recruit some new Knights. The Hall was beautiful and hopefully we can make this an annual event and open it to the parish in a bigger way! What a great time - thanks everyone for the hard work and efforts.

Get on Your Grove and HNJ Raider Walk/Run - Two walk/run events that had the some Knights help raise some funds and food for Daily Bread and for the HNJ School. Thanks to those that helped with these events!

Basketball and Free Throw Youth events – we even had an HNJ student (Bob Mac's daughter) finish first in the Regional and may go on to compete further! Bill Lewis thanks!

Haiti container loading – yes Hearts Out to Haiti really appreciates the help and I thank many Knights including my own son for helping with this!

Bishop Elect Reception – Glenda Shirhall and Mary Aflerback give us the highest of praises for our help here. Yea we do live our Service! Thank you all for what we've accomplished together and thanks for not complaining (at least in front of me). It was fun as well – Good works fun – you bet!

Let me close by wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year. This has been a great 2010 and believe it or not I think we can do more so watch out – we can't rest, Jesus needs us to be His true disciples and pick up our cross and follow Him!

Let's take the Christmas week off for family but be ready to go again. Give me your ideas and we'll run with them – yes we can!!!!

And as Tiny Tim observed: "God Bless us – everyone!"

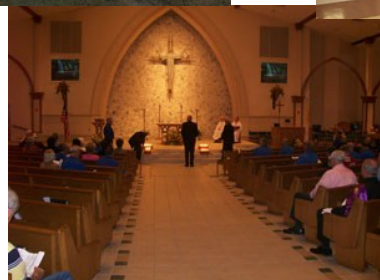
God Love and watch over us! Mary Queen of the Knights Pray for us!

Rick Broderick, Grand Knight 5845

Notice of potential vote on funds exceeding \$300:

There was a discussion and tabled motion for an amount not to exceed \$550 for new Stations of the Cross booklets. We plan on presenting this at our next meeting for full vote. If you need more information please contact Jeff Dallape at: jdallape@cfl.rr.com

Additionally, there was a floor discussion of a possible motion to be made for an amount of about \$1000 for a new basketball hoop for the pavilion, as the current one is in disrepair and potentially dangerous. As we use this area for picnics we feel it is a great way to show the Knights contributions to our parish and the youth in particular. For more information on this please contact Eddie Struttmann at: es-truttm@cfl.rr.com



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