



THE COMPASS



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Grand Knight's Log

2006 / 2007 COUNCIL OFFICERS

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To volunteer for any Committee, contact the

Chairman. We have an active schedule planned for the year, and all assistance will be greatly appreciated

New Web Master

Brothers, I am pleased to be your webmaster again. Thanks to Jason Rivera for keeping the site up-to-date over the past year! As soon as I get the current access codes and other contact information from Jason, I will be updating and adding material to the site. If you have photos of recent events involving Knights or Squires, please send them to me at: memphisbob@hotmail.com and be sure to identify them as material for the website.

Bob Skinner

Webmaster

Gospel

[Mt 11:28-30](#)

Jesus said:

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves.

For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”

Brothers, We are so blessed! We are the children of God and he has such great compassion for us. He loves us more than we could ever love someone or more that we can hope to love him. In the Gospel, Jesus is telling us to bring our troubles, whatever they are, to him and he will walk beside us, he will help carry those burdens and see us through to the end. Are you ready to meet Jesus in prayer, at adoration, at reconciliation and ask for his help? Jesus will always be there for you!

The new fraternal year is off and running. We hosted the West TN State Kick-off meeting the weekend of July 8th. We had a new member join our council during the first degree presented by the State Officers. Please extend your congratulations to Peter Atkinson, Ed Kitts' son-in-law, if you see him around. A BIG round applause for the members who jumped in and help prepare a great lunch for the event. At the closing of the meeting, a big round of applause was given for the lunch and our state officers send a big thanks to you! Another BIG thanks goes to the council for the fraternal year 2005-2006. Our council achieved the Star Council Award. This is one of the most coveted awards that Supreme bestows to a council. It recognizes that a council continues to promote Knights of Columbus in every aspect: Membership, Insurance, On-time reporting, and Council activities.

On July 11th our PGK and DD, Pat Casey, administered the oath to the new officer at Installation of Officers.

Larry Rivers and I had our monthly meeting with Fr. Coy and he is very supportive of the Knights and what we do for the Church and Community. Fr. Coy is not a member of the Knights of Columbus and will not join because he feels that he will not be able to fully participate. His stance if he cannot commit to the organization the he will not join. However, as the pastor, we have his support of for our monthly breakfasts, the pre-sale of candy for the MR Drive, Lenten Dinners, and other many events and activities we do. Fr. Coy did ask that we consider doing a light dinner on the four Wednesdays of October. We

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will get more information in the near future on this request.

The Knights – v – Youth softball game was outstanding. The score may had us winning, but for me, I did need to stop by the drugstore and pickup some Ben Gay, Advil, and icepacks for sooth my aches and pains. So from that stand point the youth probably WON!

School will be starting back soon, schedules changing from leisure to more structure for our kids and parents, and as you know, our Council activities and schedules also increase. If you have not involved in the council, come to a meeting or activity, contact a council officer or committee chairman and we can help you out!

The weekend of Aug 26/27th will be the Festival of Ministries for the parish. The Council and the Squires will man a table after each mass. Since we are so involved in so many organizations, Bob McCurdy will need everyone that is not working another table to help. Bob will have a sign-up sheet or you can email him at RCMCCURDY@aol.com. Your assistance will be needed and is appreciated.

The Council Financial Plan for the 2006-2007 year will be presented at the next business meeting. The plan will be voted on at the September business meeting.

Our web site www.kofc7170.org is a little behind, but Brother Bob Skinner will be getting it update in the very near future. The calendar button, on the left side of the screen is up-to-date and has all the scheduled dates for events. Check it out if you want to know what is going on!

I will be out of town for the next Officer/Committee Meeting as well as the Business Meeting this month. I will be attended the Supreme Convention in Orlando, FL. Just trying to what we will be ask to do next August in Nashville when the State of Tennessee Council Host the 125th Supreme Convention.

The TN State council will host the 125th Supreme Convention in Aug 2007 at the Opryland Hotel in Nashville, TN. This is a tremendous undertaking and will require support from every council in the state. More info coming in the near future!

Want to know what is going on? Check out our calendar on our council website!

Share the Experience of the Knights of Columbus! *Invite a Friend to Join!*

And May God Continue to Send Forth His Blessing to You!

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Ray Meadows Grand Knight

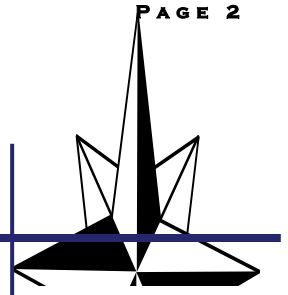
The following two articles were submitted by Ed Kitts

CITIZENSHIP FUND

To assist Alejandro and Gabrielle Salinas with their application for citizenship, the Knights of Columbus Council 7170 voted to help with the financial process. Ike Davidson, Treasurer along with Ed Kitts, presented a check to Alejandro and Gabrielle to be included with funds from other organizations toward their citizenship applications. (Photo not available due to camera problems)

FRIENDS OF ST ANN

The Friends of St. Ann are active again helping parishioners in need. Recently, three knights and a friend installed a garbage disposal and new dishwasher. The Friends group consists of Knights and anyone who offers themselves to participate in a project. Another work in progress is a big-g-g-g one. So far, three doors have been donated, painted and installed, a disabled car has been moved from the yard, brush and trim parties just to get into the back yard have been on-going. The front yard was cleared and mowed and bushes trimmed. With the work performed thus far, Shelby County Health Dept. has temporarily closed the file. Armed with an army of chain saws, hedge trimmers, weed eaters, machetes, paint brushes, whatever other tools necessary plus a hugh desire to finish the project the Friends involved are: Ben Meisler, Greg Thomas, C. J. Burti, Ike Davidson, Gary Lisco, Tom Drew, Joe Seago, George Moore, Mike Dolan, Peter Atkison and special Friends, Danny Calhoun, Doug Nyberd, Alejandro Salinas, Tom Reyna and Adam (Mike's assistant). The garbage disposal, dishwasher and doors have all been donated. The projects are coordinated by Ed Kitts, who, in this case, sat on his scooter and sweated with the rest.



COMING EVENTS

- ◆ **July 31**
Officers / Cmte. meeting
- ◆ **Aug 1**
Supreme Convention begins ORLANDO.
- ◆ **Aug 3**
Business Mtg. / Rosary
- ◆ **Aug 4**
Adoration
- ◆ **Aug 7**
Admission Cmte.
- ◆ **Aug 9**
Degree Team Practice
- ◆ **Aug 17**
1st Degree / Social
- ◆ **Aug 25**
GK / DGK meet w/ Fr. Coy
- ◆ **Aug 28**
4th Degree—OLPH
- ◆ **Aug 30**
Hall Rental.
- ◆ **Sept 1**
Adoration

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John Ross Field Agent 386-0145

Youth Activities

Our Annual Softball game where the Knights of Columbus versus the St. Ann Youth Group was a big HIT! It was held on Saturday, July 22nd at W. C. Freeman Park and we had a blast. You couldn't have asked for a more picture perfect day. The temperature was in the mid eighties and we had a nice breeze all afternoon.

The Knights who played got recognized for their athletic efforts as well as their non-athletic efforts whether they wanted to or not. We had old Knights as well as some new Knights participating in the rivalry and it was fun for everyone. The youth got off to a 3-0 lead early on but the Knights rallied to bring in a 21 to 16 win. Looks like we had about fourteen Knights and seventeen youths show up for the annual game. Not to mention the grand stands were full of supporters....from grand children to grand parents.

We snacked on chips and sodas then finished the afternoon off with some hot dogs, smoked sausage and pork chops off the grill. We had some of our veteran chef's on hand to prepare our feast. You can't have a picnic without watermelon and no one seemed to mine eating with their fingers....I didn't hear one complaint.

It's always good for us to spend time with our youth and let them see that fellowship is important and has no age barriers. It's events like this that we help build and strengthen the values of our parish youth. I can't think of a better committee to be a big part of. And if you are a kid at heart and enjoy being involved in your own children's activities, then this is the committee for you to get involved with. If you weren't able to make the softball game, please volunteer to help on one of the many events the Knights have coming up.

Someone said this was the best turnout we ever had for this annual event. Let's see if we can beat that record at the next Annual Softball Game!

Eddie Robinson Chairman

Pro Life

I submit that we owe a debt of gratitude and our continued prayers for President George W. Bush for having the strength and conviction to veto the Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act this past week. First and foremost, President Bush recognized that the collection of stem cells for research unfortunately involves the destruction of a human life in the form of a human embryo.

John Jakubczyk, President of Arizona Right to Life says "... *the President stated, destroying human life violates fundamental principles upon which this country was founded. Fur-*

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Habitat For Humanity

It's time for our fall house build for Habitat for Humanity of Greater Memphis at St Ann Church and Council 7170.

Sign up to work at the house will be in the church narthex after each mass Aug. 19th/20th and Aug. 26th/27th.

Watch for more info in the church bulletin. Questions, please call me at 385-6268.

Thanks

Larry T. Rivers

**NEXT BUSINESS MEETING – Thursday, September 7th 7:30 P.M. McGivney Hall
Rosary, upstairs in St. Joachim Chapel, begins 6:45 P.M.**

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ther, the President believes that the Government has a responsibility to use the people's money responsibly in supporting important research that respects moral boundaries and recognizes that current research within those moral boundaries are acceptable. The work that has been done in advancing adult stem cell research and research involving cord blood are just two examples. Indeed, there is current research that supports studies that adult stem cells can mimic the properties of embryonic stem cells."

Proponents of stem cell research (and many pro-abortionists) would have us believe that the President's veto will severely hamper the future research into the treatment and cure of many diseases made possible by the use of embryonic stem cells.

But according to Jakubczyk's article there are a number of viable alternatives to embryonic stems cells which don't involve the taking of innocent lives. Scientists can advance their studies by using these alternatives, and have a moral obligation to do so. They cannot be allowed to improve the quality of life for one segment of society to the detriment of our most vulnerable members, the unborn. Jakubczyk's article is interesting and I urge you to read the whole thing at:

<http://www.azrtl.org/blog/2006/07/president-holds-line-for-life.html>

Brother Knights, remember, it was our choice to add the phrase "born and unborn" when we recite the Pledge of Allegiance...now I wonder if George Bush says it that way as well?

Frank Hess Pro-Life Co-Chair



DISTRICT DEPUTY CORNER **News From Supreme, State and District**

On July 27, our Council, along with the other councils in District I, participated in a wonderful fellowship with the Church of the Resurrection in Memphis, called Shine Catholic Work Camp. Resurrection Council and District Deputy #2, Jim Betlinski hosted and housed 240 young people from around the country for one week, while the kids performed work and provided assistance to the elderly, low and fixed income and less fortunate people in the Memphis area.

Council 7170 made a donation of \$200 plus voluntary help from Brothers Charles Ross, Jay Johnson and Pat Casey, in helping feed those very hungry, tired youngsters after a long, hard, hot workday. Well done my Brothers and a special thanks to District #1 councils at St. Francis, Nativity and Germantown for the generosity in this wonderful event.

A lot of preparation is going on already for next year's Supreme Convention to be held in Nashville, beginning August 4, 2007. We will be asked to help prepare for this great event.

The next 2nd Degree will be September 9 at St. William's in Millington. Plan to attend if you need this.

Patrick Casey D.D. #1

**St. Jude Showcase of dogs
October 13th, 14th, & 15th 2006
Knights of Columbus Council 7170 Bartlett**

St. Jude Showcase of Dogs will once again be held at the Agri Center. This is a great event filled with lots of fun for dog lovers and their families. Proceeds go to the St. Jude Children’s Hospital. Our council will be handling the ticket booths and parking again this year. We benefit financially from working this event as we have for the last couple of years.

We need many volunteers for each of the three days.

Wives and older children are welcome to assist as they have in the prior years.

Any questions please contact:

Paul Fratus- ph- 301-5101, e-mail pfratus920@midsouth.rr.com

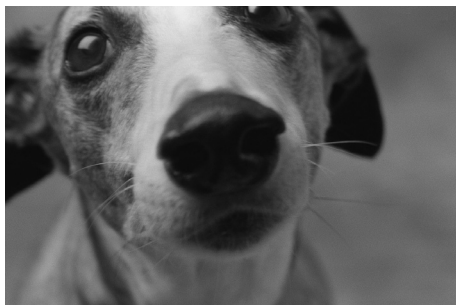
Frank Hess- ph- 385-2126, e-mail fhess@bellsouth.net

Name _____ Phone # _____

I am available to work: (Circle one or more shifts)	Friday	5:30am-11:30am	
	Friday	6:00am-12:00pm	
Please schedule me to work.	Friday	7:00am- 12:00pm	12:00pm-5:00pm
	Saturday	5:00am- 12:00pm	
	Saturday	7:00am- 12:00pm	12:00pm-5:00pm
	Sunday	5:00am- 12:00am	
	Sunday	7:00am- 12:00pm	12:00pm-5:00pm

You can also mail this form to Paul Fratus, 446 Ellie Place, Collierville, TN 38017

Please sign up as soon as possible, we need 15 to 20 volunteers each day. We will be having a St. Jude Dog Show meeting on Wednesday Oct. 4th at 6:30pm in McGivney Hall. Please try to attend this meeting if possible.





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