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My Brothers All:

Well the long awaited first business meeting of the calendar year has finally taken place, and it's time for me to report what has been happening.

When I looked back, I realized that we haven't had a business meeting since November. That's quite a long time for us not to have conducted any real business.

We have really hit the road running. Take a few minutes and catch up on what is going to be happening at the council.

Vivat Jesus

Ed Kane

Grand Knight

BINGO

The first major undertaking is Bingo. Tim Vogel will be chairing the steering committee to get things moving.

Tim has started putting a committee

together so that when we start, we will be in compliance with the State of North Carolina and our expertise in running a proper game



will be acceptable with the players. If you can help Tim out by serving on the committee, just give him a call.

Remember that this fund raising adventure will be long term (every Thursday evening). In order for it to be a success, everyone will have to commit a few hours each month or so.

We are looking to fill a lot of slots. We are planning to have 5 or 6 teams. Each team will consist of a minimum of 10 people. They can be brother Knights or members of the Parish. A team will be comprised of (2) door attendants/admissions, (4) floor monitors, (1 or 2) callers, The balance to be Kitchen Crew and Concessions. The Kitchen crew will report to the Kitchen Captain (KC) and everyone reports to the Team Captain (TC). These

five or six teams will rotate schedules throughout the year. We will have a special website posted in a couple of weeks so you can stay tuned with what's going on with Bingo.

The more people that get involved, the less impact on everyone else. You can contact Tim at 704-500-1834 or email tim@caltim.com.

BLOOD DRIVE

Recently, our blood drive chairman Jeff



Warren stepped down due to business commitments. Fortunately for us, Jim Hepler has agreed to head up this very worthwhile activity.

Blood Drives have been scheduled for March 13, June 5, and October 23.

Jim has already put up signs in the church, but he is going to need some help on the morning of Saturday March 13.

If you can help out, please give Jim a call. If you can't help in setting up, you could always stop by and donate a quart or so of your blood. We will only take a pint.

MAY RACE

Time is getting short. The May race is approaching and we will need a lot of support and help.

Tom Joy and I will be meeting with the people at Lowe's in the very near future. They have all new people at the track, so this will definitely be a feeling out process.

Dave Smith, who has worked very hard at the track must step down due to his going back to school.

Tom, who knows all the ins and outs, is going to need help.

This will be a time consuming job, so we need someone who can spend time on the phone and setting up schedules. You might even be able to get out of driving assignments.

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY DINNER DANCE

Mark your calendars! On Saturday, March 20, the council will be holding a Saint Patrick's Day Dinner Dance.

We have had several members sign up to do the cooking, and Matt Reilly is making the arrangements for music.

Ted Benell is going to supervise the installation of the dance floor.

Tom Joy is in charge of ticket sales, which by the way, are \$20.00 each. Tom is going to need help after the weekend Masses for ticket sales.

Spend just a few minutes after Mass and help out with ticket sales.

It really won't take up that much of your time. The event will be open for the parish and other guests.

Plan on spending an enjoyable evening with fellow parishioners and friends.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITIES

We, as a council have been asked to help move a family from their existing residence into a new home in Mooresville. From what I understand, the family really has very little, so the move shouldn't take all that long.

At the meeting we voted on renting a U-Haul type truck, so that we can complete the move in one load. This will relieve us from lining up several pick-up trucks that may or may not be available for our use. No time has been given for the move, but I have requested at least one week's notice.

If you would be available some Saturday morning, (date unknown at this time) it would be appreciated.

STATE RAFFLE

I hope you all have noticed that enclosed with this newsletter, are a few state raffle tickets. The cost is \$5.00 each.

What makes this fund-raiser viable is the fact that we get to keep half of everything



we bring in. Lets get behind this effort and sell the tickets. They will be for sale after Masses each weekend and also at the Saint Patrick's Day Dinner.

KNIGHTS OF THE MONTH

It is a pleasure to name John Bigliardi, Knight of the Month for January.

I think we all know how much time John spends in the kitchen preparing not only the food we consume at our meetings, but also for the special events we have during the course of the year.

Whenever we have district, state, or other functions John has always been there to prepare suitable food for the event.

It was not difficult to name our February recipient of the Knight of the Month. To tell the truth, I wanted to name him several months ago, but he said, "Why don't you give it to someone else, they deserve it more than me." In my opinion, this individual exemplifies every thing that is good in our Order.

This individual has never refused me, and I don't believe many of us have ever been refused either. So, in my own way, I want to say thank you for every thing you have accomplished. God Bless You!, Ted Benell.

DONATIONS

During the February meeting we voted to spend money for some very worthy causes. First the council voted to give \$1,000.00 to the Parish Building Fund. We use the facilities at no cost to us. We felt it was only right to give back to the Parish.

We also donated \$1,000.00 to S.W.A.T. This money will be used to purchase needed equipment for the kitchen. The women have spent many dollars purchasing equipment for the kitchen, that we have no problem using. Again we felt it was time to give back to these wonderful ladies.

Another mission within the Parish is RCIA. We had \$500.00 built into the budget for this ministry. When we were asked to help support the weekend retreat the candidates are going to be attending, by donating to the costs of the Retreat Master, we felt it was the right thing to do. These costs will total an additional \$300.00 to money already in the budget.

We also sent a \$500.00 donation to our new seminarian, Mr. Fred Werth. We have already received a beautiful letter from him thanking us for the donation.

Remember that we will get \$100.00 back from Supreme for the donation.

AD BOOKS

Many parishioners and others have asked us if we were going to be selling ad books again. Through the efforts of Paul

Mitchell, we have found a supplier.

These books will be on sale shortly for \$10.00 each. They are different from the past books, but we feel they will be well received by the public. Again, please give your support to this fund-raising effort.

ODDS AND ENDS

There are several other events that are planned for the immediate future. First, we will be having a Memorial Mass for William Reilly, grandson of Brother Phil Reilly. William was 19 years old when he passed away from the effects of Leukemia. I have spoken to Fr. Joe about saying the Mass.

We felt it might be appropriate to have the Mass on a Monday evening. Fr. will be the celebrant and will make arrangements for a cantor. If we could do it prior to a social meeting, we could then have a pot luck dinner at the PLC. I'll let you know how we progress.

We will be dedicating both the American and Papal flags on a Sunday in the near future prior to the 10:15 Mass. Again the announcement will be in the bulletin.

Keep the night of April 12 open. This will be a social meeting that we are going to open to the parish.

We will hold a fraternal benefits night. Dave Wellmon, our representative, will be presenting the program. Our thoughts are that by opening the meeting up we may get interest from the younger parishioners who may be starting a family and might have interests in the Knight's Fraternal Benefit Program.

From what I hear, John Bigliardi will be doing something special.

NEW MEMBERS

At our last social meeting held on February 9 we brought three new members into the council.

Let us welcome Fr. Joe Kappes SJ, who will be our new chaplain. Also, welcome Jeffrey Miller and Vincent Schweickert.

IN OUR PRAYERS

We learned recently that Brother Amedee Norves broke his ankle. He is recovering at home, but from what we hear, he could use some visitors.

Please call before you just drop over. We also want to remember Brother Paul Cunningham and Marion Reilly in our prayers



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