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I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving holiday, didn't eat too much and enjoyed the company of family and/or friends.

Since the last Mariner, there have been several successful events. The last LAMB drive at Wal-Mart at the end of October was very successful and completed a great year for LAMB. The council collected over \$19,000 and exceeded the goal established for us by State. Well done to all involved!

The Halloween Party on October 28th was very successful, even though it was outside and the weather could have been a little better. We had a good crowd and everyone enjoyed the games, the costumes and the food. Congratulations to Brother Wade Fulmer and all his helpers. In addition, the Christmas Card sale on the first 2 weekends of November went very well. The last four boxes were sold in the St. Brendan Gift Shop the week after the drive. Thank you to Brother Ed Manz and all who assisted in selling the cards!

The Council's new first degree team debuted in Whiteville on November 11th. State Deputy John Gouldie requested we perform the exemplification at the parish of the new State Chaplain Padre Leon. All went well there so the team did it again at St. Brendan for 4 new Knights of Council #9039 on November 12th before the Business Meeting. The first degree team members appreciate the support of all who attended the first degree exemplification on that Monday night and for the support they provided to the new Knights, Brothers Tom Bostel, Rich Grano, Joe Magri and George Scheidle.



The Council will again be participating in the December 1st Shallotte Christmas Parade by towing a "Christ in Christmas" float and passing out Tootsie Rolls. A day or two prior to the parade, the float will need to be assembled and made ready for towing. Help will be required to get the float ready. Participants in the parade are needed to walk alongside the float and pass out Tootsie Rolls. There is a sign-up sheet on the Council web site, www.kofc-shallotte.org, or you can contact DGK Norm Melanson at tel: 910-575-8131 or e-mail: bnm35@atmc.net to sign up for either putting the float together or marching in the parade.

The Council's Christmas dinner at Chianti South is scheduled for Friday, December 7th. The cost is \$30 per person. A choice of four entrees is included in the price. These are Veal Parmigiana, Chicken Marsala, Tilapia or Penne a la Vodka. Bread, salad, soup and dessert, as well as coffee, tea or soft drinks are also included. By attending, not only can you enjoy a good dinner, but you can also enjoy the camaraderie and fellowship of Brother Knights. For those who don't know, the restaurant is on Route 17 southbound just after entering South Carolina. If you are able to attend, contact Brother Dick Jania (tel: 910-579-3067; e-mail: dickjania@yahoo.com).

There will be a blood drive on Tuesday, December 11th in the Red Cross Bloodmobile at St. Brendan's from 11:00am to 3:00pm. Anyone who wishes to donate blood can either sign up on the Council's web site or by contacting Brother Tony Imondi (tel: 910-575-6151; e-mail: timondi@atmc.net) or Brother Larry Bates (tel: 910-579-5754; e-mail: landcbates@atmc.net). If you are able, please consider donating. Blood is always needed, but particularly over a holiday period.

The Christmas Parties at the Assisted Living Homes are on two different dates this year. December 12th at 3:00pm is the date and time of the Christmas Party at Autumn Care Assisted Living. The one at Shallotte Assisted Living is scheduled to be on December 14th at 2:00pm. More information will be promulgated later on what the Council will do at the Homes this year.

The Council is trying a new fundraiser in an attempt to retrieve some of the lost revenue from dinners and breakfasts that can't be done because of the closing of Brendan Hall. We are selling a book called "Dining and Value Guide" that contains coupons from restaurants and businesses in the area. Admittedly, a good portion of the establishments are in Wilmington, but there are a number in Brunswick County, and even some in the Myrtle Beach area. The book costs \$25 and the Council receives \$10 from each one sold. I have been told that the Book pays for itself after the use of about 3 of the coupons. The coupons are good through 2008. The fundraiser continues through January 10th. In addition to your personal use, the book would make a good Christmas present for anyone in the local area. To get one, contact Brothers Al Bleich (tel: 910-575-4050; e-mail: ableich@atmc.net) or Bob Benson (tel: 910-754-9220; e-mail: bendek@aol.com).

There are several Right to Life events in January to consider attending. The first is a Rally and March for Life at Nash Square in downtown Raleigh on January 12th, 2008. There will also be a Prayer Breakfast at 10:00am that day featuring Dr. David A. Prentice, Ph.D., an expert in stem cell research and human cloning. On Saturday, January 19th, 2008, a Right to Life Prayer Vigil will be observed from 12:00 noon to 2:00pm at Riverfront Park in Wilmington. The March for Life in Washington, DC will be conducted on Tuesday, January, 22nd, 2008.

Social Ministries Coordinator Kathy Doyle has informed me that the position of Parish

Respect Life Coordinator needs to be filled. If anyone is interested, please contact me at (tel: 910-287-7566; or e-mail: jdambaugh@atmc.net). She has also requested that someone coordinate a Rosary and special intentions for the Feast of Holy Innocents on Friday, December 28th. Again, contact me if you are interested.

Please keep our troops in your prayers, especially those overseas during this holiday season.

Sally & I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a blessed, Merry Christmas and a Healthy, Happy New Year.

Vivat Jesus,

Jack

DECEMBER ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

Shalotte Christmas Parade	Dec. 1 st , 10:00am, Calvary Baptist Church
Council Christmas Dinner	Dec. 7 th , 7:00pm, Chianti South
Council Business Meeting	Dec. 10 th , 7:00pm, Church
Blood Drive	Dec. 11 th , 11:00am — 3:00pm, Church
Assisted Living Social	Dec. 12 th , 3:00pm, Autumn Care
Assisted Living Social	Dec. 14 th , 2:00pm, Shalotte Assisted Living
MERRY CHRISTMAS	Dec. 25 th



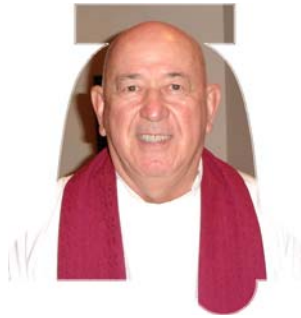
Robert Gelinas—Knight of the Month



Richard and Marlene Korn—Family of the Month

The Little Sisters of the Poor are known world wide for their devotion to the aged poor. This happened in France. The little nun rang the door-bell at the mansion of a wealthy fellow who was well known for his dislike of anything religious. She humbly asked for his help. Hoping to put her on the spot, as it were, he made this offer, " I'll give you 1000 francs if you drink a glass of champagne with me." Humbly but bravely the little nun agreed. Finally she had emp-

She tied her glass. Then she turned the tables on her host by holding out the glass and saying, "If you please sir, I'll have another glass at the same price". She got it!



Father Hector LaChapelle

Ask the Chaplain - I recently attended a mass where people received the sacrament of the anointing of the sick. Those anointed included some who were obviously sick, but the priest also anointed a teenage boy, a fortyish woman, and some healthy-looking older people. This made me wonder: Who may receive this sacrament?

Dear Knight.

In 1972, Pope Paul VI revised the rite of anointing of the sick. The rite states these principles:

1. There should be special care and concern that those who are dangerously ill due to sickness (physical or mental) or old age receive this sacrament. How sick is sick? The rite offers this common sense advice: "A prudent reasonably sure judgment, without scruple, is sufficient for deciding on the seriousness of an illness; if necessary a doctor may be consulted."
2. The sacrament may be repeated if the sick person recovers after anointing or, if during the same illness, the danger becomes more serious.
3. A sick person should be anointed before surgery whenever a serious illness is the reason for the surgery.
4. Elderly people may be anointed if they are in a weak condition, even though no serious illness is present. The rite gives no specific age constituting who is elderly and who is not.
5. Sick children should be anointed if they have sufficient use of reason to be comforted by this sacrament.
6. Anointing should be conferred on sick people who have lost consciousness or lost the use of reason if, as Christian believers, they would have asked for it were they in control of their faculties.

All the people you saw anointed no doubt fit at least one of these requirements, even if some people did not appear to be sick. All of these principles cover good reasons for receiving the sacrament of the anointing of the sick.

DECEMBER — SCROOGE DIDN'T BELIEVE

We can all remember the story of Scrooge and his failure to believe in the spirit of Christmas. To all but the Scrooges of the world, the celebration of the birth of Christ brings with it a warm feeling of family ties, a joy and pleasure that our faith brings to others.

That same warm feeling comes from owning life insurance. Just knowing that, because of what you have planned, your loved ones will have joys and comforts for years to come if something should happen to you.

I don't think Scrooge would have believed in life insurance either, but men of good will do. And the world is a better place because of them. Through life insurance, they know that comfort and security will not be for only one day, but, instead, a gift that will provide for their loved ones for years to come.

This Christmas, give a gift of security and protection. Happy and Holy Holidays to all of you!



Ray Miller

Insurance Agent

The Operation LAMB Committee wishes to thank all those who helped make this a successful year. We collected over \$19,000 which was more than \$1000 over our 2007 Goal. The enthusiasm and cooperation of our Brother Knights was remarkable. Sixty-nine Brothers spent a total of over 300 hours handing out Tootsie Rolls and collecting donations at Piggly-Wiggly, Food Lion, Wal-Mart and St. Brendan Church. We are especially grateful to Tom Smed who volunteered 28 hours; Dennis and Marie Shea, 24 hours and Chris Lanno, 16 hours. We were also happy to have volunteers from the Brunswick Interagency Program and ARC of Brunswick County participate in our drives.

In addition to the many donations received from individual Brothers, we received a donation from ELKS Lodge #2679 in Calabash through the special efforts of J.C. Peloquin.

LAMB Committee: Jerry Scharoun, Joe Garbarino, Tony Imondi (Chairman)

Pray for the following members and their families.



Deacon Tom Kronyak's Family, Hazel Grant, Jack Heneka, Sue Heneka, John Konen, Al Montbellier, Margaret Murnane, Donald Ottway Norris, Tom O'Reilly, Bev Pegoni, Tony Santino, Paul Schasney, Harold Spencer, John Stalnaker, Elizabeth Walsh, John Walsh and Pasquale Wojciechowski.



Please pray for our departed brothers-
Daniel Groseberger December 2004



Our newest first degrees—Joe Magri, Rich Grano, George Scheidle, Tom Bostel



Larry Bates
 Myron Bezek
 Pat Cejka
 Hugh Dolan
 Kevin Fahy
 Rich Harding
 Greg Hiester
 Rev. Robert Ippolito
 Ginny Mack
 Pamela Martin
 Dale Masino
 Helen O'Sullivan
 Bev Pegoni
 Richard Reardon
 Joseph Sales
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Robert & Pamela Martin
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2008 dues are \$32.00

Donation for State Catholic Disaster Charities Fund \$4.00

Dues for Honorary members \$10.00 plus donation = \$14.00

Dues for Honorary Life members \$0.00 plus donation = \$4.00

Dues for all other members \$32.00 plus donation = \$36.00

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The father of 5 small children had won a toy in a raffle. He called the kids together and asked. "Who should have this present? Who is the most obedient? Who never talks back to your mother? Who does everything she says?" Five small voices answered in unison: "You play with it Daddy!"

Council Officers for 2007

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From J. C. Peloquin — This is a picture of my son-in-law, Benjamin Tipton, in Iraq. We gave him one of our Council's Monday Night Football Pool books for his birthday just before he left. Him winning was meant to be. Denver kicked a field goal with no time left to tie the game and then Green Bay scored a touchdown, only 6 points added to their score because they don't kick the point after in overtime, setting up winning scores ending in HOME 3, VISITOR 9 which was his book 28 In week 8 :-)



Benjamin Tipton



Halloween Party Pictures

Norm at the old fishing hole



Dale with the littlest fisherperson



Don eyes on the ball



Norm not far from the food



There was a great turnout



Joe in awe of the food, Wade looks on.



What concentration!



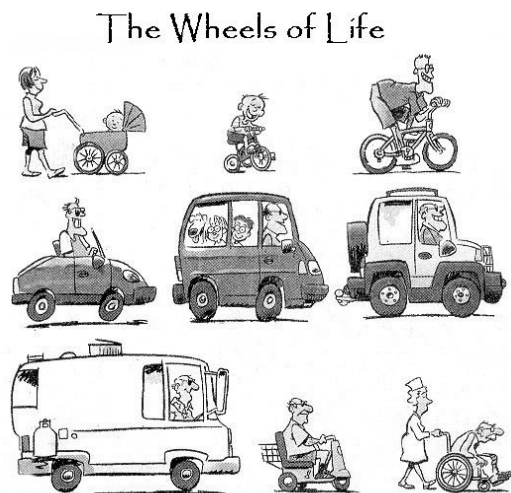
Two Thomas's and a Tiger!



What game is this?



Three Amigos



Now that's a redhead!