

Knights of Columbus Council #14349 /Sacred Heart
Spring Grove, PA

Next Meeting: 12/15/09 at 7 PM.

Council Meetings are held every third Tuesday at Sacred Heart Parish Center/ 1031 Sprenkle Rd. Spring Grove, PA 17362

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About Our Organization

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic men's fraternal organization. The Knights of Columbus provide social and intellectual fellowship for the members and their families. The fellowship is developed by the members' participation in educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and public charity projects.

The Sacred Heart Council of Spring Grove, PA has as its mission to perform good and charitable deeds that benefit the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic parish of Spring Grove, PA and the general Spring Grove and greater York, PA communities. Our monthly council meetings are for members only. However membership in our Council is open to any man of good character who is also a practicing Catholic. If you believe you would like to join our society, please contact Chuck Becker, our Grand Knight to arrange for an interview. []

Oh Mitten Tree

By Chris Norris

The Mitten Tree, sponsored by K of C of Sacred Heart Church #14349, went up before masses on the weekend of Nov 28-29 2009 (the first Sunday of Advent).

More names will be added before masses on Dec 5-6. All gifts are requested to be returned by Sunday Dec 13th to ensure timely distribution to the agencies and to the children. All gifts must be unwrapped, since the gifts have to be inspected by the agencies before they can be given out. Please consider including wrapping materials along with your gift.

We are working with several local social service agencies again this year, including The Children's Home of York, Catholic Charities in York, Family-Child Resources in York, The Lehman Center in York, Safe Home of Hanover, and Head Start.

After collection by our Council, gifts will be taken to the respective agencies as quickly as possible. If you are interested and able to help deliver gifts, please contact Chris Norris 586-5065. Thanks and God Bless All.

Christmas Sleds

This year Nevin Taylor and his youngest son Jason are building small toy sleds that are just the right size for Christmas tree ornaments, or gift tags (see picture below). Nevin has been good enough to offer to use the sale of these sleds as a way to help the Council raise funds.



As of November 17th Nevin had sold close to 400 sleds. Nevin then was out selling again at the (12/05/09) Craft Bazaar at the Sacred Heart parish center. Nevin and his son plan to take orders right up until Christmas.

It is likely that through the efforts of Nevin and his son the Council will be able to add over \$1,000.00 to our treasury. If you, or your friends, or members of your extended family would like a sled ornament for Christmas, please contact Nevin with your order (225-9872). The larger toy sleds are approximately 4 inches long and 3 inches wide. The asking price for the sleds vary based upon the size and the complexity of the finish. A non-finished plain sled will cost \$1.00. While the glossy painted and lettered sleds cost \$3.00.

Knights of Columbus Insurance Corner

By Jim Short

This is a busy time for all of us. The Christmas Holidays allow us to gather with family and friends. Opportunities like this remind us how very important "Family" really is. It seems like just yesterday – Christmas 2008 – and here we are one year later. Have there been changes in your family this past year – marriages, births, graduations or possibly illnesses, deaths – all these things are a part of life. But, it's when families change, regardless of the change, that we sometimes sit back and take stock of the ones we love.

Make a new year's resolution – that before next year rolls around faster than this past year, you'll make a date with me to review your family's financial future. The Knights of Columbus have programs that can be tailored to you and your family.

Contact me – Jim Short, your Council Field Agent at (717) 332-3999 (or e-mail at Jim.Short@KOFC.org) if you have questions or need information about your fraternal benefits.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

God Bless,- *Jim*



Grand Knight's Message

Charles Becker, Grand Knight

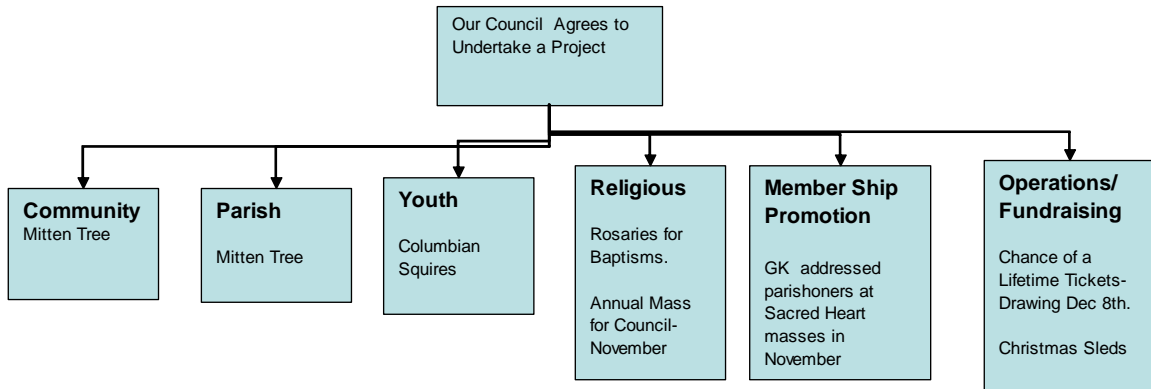
Please check this space next month for Chuck's column.

Lecturer's Forum

By Fred Oleson 717-792-3263

One way of assuring that our council is addressing all the topics for which we are chartered is to create a chart and list our activities by category.

This month I've continued to fill in that categories chart with projects that are currently underway. As you can see the chart continues to show that the council is addressing all topics relevant to our mission.



As in most organizations we have members with different interests and talents. If you have an interest, or passion in one of the areas listed above, please step forward and propose to lead a project in that area for the council.

In closing I would also like to remind you of the excellent free presentations available at the “Fathers for Good” web site: <http://www.fathersforgood.org/en/index.html>. The topics covered are very relevant to men in our culture working to assist the forces of good.



Regards- *Fred*

Planning Calendars:

Planning Calendar_Dec-2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Deadline for Newsletter	9	10 Newsletter Distributed	11	12
13 Mitten Tree Gifts Due	14	15 Council Meeting	16	17	18	19 Sled Orders !
20	21	22	23	24	25 Christmas	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Planning Calendar_Jan-2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 New Years	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Deadline for Articles	12	13	14 Newsletter Distributed	15	16
17	18	19 Council Meeting	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Chaplain's Message

By Father Tom Marikovic

Please check this space next month for Father Tom's column.

Please pray for our sick



These parishioners of Sacred Heart need our prayers.

Gladys Batts	Lee Benton	Frank DeCello
George Kern	Francis Martin	John Price
Carly Smith	Mary Roller	
Ed Chmiel	Tom Kennedy	
Joe Orié	Jean Moran	

Thank you for your compassion.