



Knights of Columbus

Council 10010 - Gallatin



From the Grand Knight

Brother Knights,
As we count down the hours to the end of 2007, we have the opportunity to count the many contributions our council has made to the community, families, youth and our parish. This year brings significant pride for our council with the support of three (3) seminarians. We will continue our support of Mark Sappenfield and Kin Easter for the coming year.

Sumner Special Housing, Inc., the joint effort of our Council and Council #9132 of Our Lady of the Lake, completed a third home for adults with Intellectual Disabilities. Also, this year St. John Vianney embarked on "The Bridge to the Future" campaign with the Knights committing to an annual gift of \$1000 towards the parish goals. For our youth, we have presented scholarships and financial support exceeding \$2000.

It takes the efforts of many of our Brother Knights to achieve the success we have with our many service programs and fund raising programs. I would like to offer a "Special Thanks" to Lenny Sarro and all the Knights that made our fund raising efforts at "Nashville Speedway" a success.

There is always an opportunity to do more, "Get Involved" and help our Council achieve greater results.

Bob Johnson, GK
Vivat Jesus!

Membership

Congratulations to our new Knights:
John Caruthers initiated 4/4/07
Colby Ritter initiated on 10/7/07
Mike Kopczynski transferred in 11/07

In Memorium

Please remember in your prayers the soul of Devereaux Cannon, who passed away suddenly on 12/29/07

Fund Raising Activities in 07

Two **fish fry's** during Lent raised \$1700 for support of our parish activities. Many thanks to Mel Harders, his crew of cooks, and all the Knights who helped on these events.

The 22th annual **St Patrick/St Joseph's Day** dinner was a fun and feasting event that also raised \$1100 for our causes. Thanks to Don Slepski, Jim Holleran, Stan Rudzinski, Roger Stevens, and many more leprechauns who pitched in to make it a great evening

Our 15th annual **Jack DiFiori Memorial Golf** tournament held in May enjoyed a great day, fun golf, many prizes for the lucky flight winners, a hearty lunch served up by Mel Harders and Kenny Pierpoli, while raising \$3100 for local charities- Gallatin Cares, Cumberland Crisis Pregnancy Center, Habitat for Humanity, Homesafe, and CASA

Our **Tootsie Roll** drive, held Oct 12/13/14, raised a new record amount of \$4800 thanks to Jim Holleran and his crew of 39 volunteers, and especially thanks to the generosity of our local Gallatin citizens.

Half of this total is used in three local schools- Vena Stuart, Rucker-Stewart, and Gallatin High-in their programs for the Intellectually Disadvantaged.

The other half goes to Sumner Special Housing (see separate article) as directed by the MR Foundation, State Council, Knights of Columbus.

Lenny Sarro and his group of stalwart volunteers worked as ushers at three **Nashville Speedway** races at the new track (over 400 man-hours). They raised a grand total of \$4000 to support our charitable activities. If you would like to see a race and at the same time contribute to the cause, Call Lenny at [452-1532](tel:452-1532)

Monthly pancake breakfasts, \$1200
Keep Christ in Christmas bumper tags \$750

January 2008

Support & Assistance

The following represent additional support that the council has provided to the parish and community:

Bishop Choby Scholarships to SJV school ----\$1000
Open scholarships for Catholic high school or college----\$1000
Bridge To The Future-----\$1300
Vacation Bible School ---- \$500
SJV School miscellaneous -- \$500
Gallatin Nursing Home activities\$500
Misc charities and individuals-\$1200

Council Officers – 2007 / 2008

G. Knight – Bob Johnson (579-6617)
D. G. Knight – Joe Fertitta (822-6735)
Chancellor – Steve Yorlano (452-4023)
Recorder – Don Slepski (822-6187)
F. Secretary – Greg Miles(824-7881)
Treasurer – Jim Byrd (452-3965)
Advocate – John Poplawski(
Warden – Jerry Zimmerle (452-2526)
Inside Guard – Mel Harders (319-1005)
Outs. Guard– Fred Schaab (826-6544)
Trustee 3Yr. – Kent Haggerty (264-1843)
Trustee 2Yr.–John Kendrick (264-6241)
Trustee 1Yr.– Jim Holleran (452-8822)
Lecturer – Bill Connelly (452-9443)

Program Directors – 2007/ 2008

Chaplain - Father John Sappenfield
Vocations – Don Slepski
Scholarships – Don Slepski
Program – Mel Harders
Church – Joe Fertitta
Community – Bob Johnson
Family – Tom Kimball
Pro-Life – Rob & April Schroeder
Youth – Steve Yorlano
Council – Jim Holleran
Membership – John Kendrick
Newsletter – Dave Neville

Knights on Active Military Duty

Ron Brouwer - with US Navy
John Caruthers – with US Marines
James Payne –with US Army

Calendar of Events – 2007 / 2008

January - 2008

Jan 9 – Council Meeting –
Jan 10 – Gallatin Nursing Home
Jan 13 – Breakfast – Team Johnson
Jan – Chili Cook-Off at School
Jan 22 – Right to Life Assembly
Capital Building – Nashville
Jan 23 – National March for Life
Washington, DC
Jan 24 – Gallatin Nursing Home

February

Feb 6 – Council Meeting –
Ash Wednesday
Feb 8 - Fish Fry
Feb 11 – Pancake Breakfast –
Team Del Grosso
Feb 14 – Gallatin Nursing Home
Feb 16 – St. Valentine’s Day Dance
Feb 22 – Fish Fry
Feb 28 – Gallatin Nursing Home

March

Mar 5 – Council Meeting
Mar 8 – Altar Server Appreciation
Mar 9 – Pancake Breakfast –
Team Rudzinski
Mar 13 – Gallatin Nursing Home
Mar 15 – St. Joseph / Patrick Dinner
Mar 22 - Nashville Speedway Race
Mar 23 – Easter Sunday
Mar 27 – Gallatin Nursing Home

April

Apr 2 – Council Meeting – 1st Degree
Apr 13 – Breakfast – Team Holleran
Apr 10 – Gallatin Nursing Home
State Convention
Apr 24 – Gallatin Nursing Home

May

May 7 – Council Meeting
May 8 – Gallatin Nursing Home
May 11 – Mother’s Day Breakfast
Team Del Grosso
May 17 – Golf Tournament
May 22 – Gallatin Nursing Home

June

Jun 4 – Council Meeting, 1st Degree
Jun 12 – Gallatin Nursing Home
Jun – Nashville Speedway Race
Jun 26 – Gallatin Nursing Home Jun 30 State
Kickoff Meeting

July

Jul 2 – Council Meeting
Jul 10 – Gallatin Nursing Home
Jul 15 – Nashville Speedway Race
Jul 24 – Gallatin Nursing Home

SSHI

Sumner Special Housing, Inc is a 401c3 non-profit organization founded by volunteers from Gallatin council #10010 and Hendersonville council #9132 in concert with the K of C State MR Foundation to provide housing for the Intellectually Disadvantaged.

At this time SSHI owns three houses which are staffed and operated by HATS for Sumner County residents. It receives funding from Tootsie Roll drives via the State MR Foundation, and also works to secure grants from other state and local foundations and individuals.

The newest home, completed this past summer in Portland, was a “Habitat-style build” with quite a large share of donated labor and materials.

GK Bob Johnson is currently the president of SSHI

Charity Bingo

Knights and their families host a bingo at Gallatin Nursing Home the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. Approximately 12-16 folks anxiously await each visit, and the hosts always find they enjoy the visits just as much. The season finale is a visit from Santa Claus (rumored to be Don Slepski) and his elves (JoAnn Slepski, Jim Byrd, Mel Harders, Dave Powell, Jim Holleran) bringing Christmas cheer and Beanie Babys to all the residents

Spouse Appreciation Dinner

In thanks to our spouses, who contribute greatly to our successes, a dinner and social evening was held at Cherokee Steak House and was enjoyed by 24 couples. Thanks to Mel Harders, the coordinator of the event.

Support Our Seminarians

Mark Sappenfield and Kin Easter are seminary students currently receiving support, encouragement, and prayers from council #10010. Your individual support is encouraged. Mark is nearing completion of his studies. Kin Easter, a local Gallatin young man, has recently started his studies. If you would like to communicate with Kin, his address is:

Kinneth Easter
Pontifical College Josephinum
7625 N. High St.
Columbus, OH 43235

I’m sure he would appreciate hearing from you

Altar Servers Recognition

Approximately 25 altar servers and their families enjoyed a skating party and pizza as guests of the council in thanks for their service to St. John Vianney. Deanna Zarchansky acted as host: Steve and Janet Yorlano were event coordinators

Dues for Year 2008

Annual dues of \$25 are now payable to our new financial secretary:

Greg Miles
133 Chirac Rd
Hendersonville, TN 37075