

## Council Tidbits

**Bishop's Seminarian Raffle** - The annual Bishop's Seminarian Raffle wrap-up and prize drawings were held during the 100<sup>th</sup> State Convention in Reno. Council 4828 ended up contributing \$882 toward the overall amount that was collected, state-wide. Although \$980 is a fair amount, it was about \$100 less than what we contributed through our ticket sales last year. Considering that every member of our council was inadvertently sent 40 tickets instead of the usual 20, this means that even fewer members actually participated this year. Br. Knights, we can do better than this, so when next year's tickets come out, please get out there and sell them or purchase them yourselves. Remember that this is a very important fundraiser. As usual, raffle tickets will be forwarded in either December or January and sales will run through the end of April.

**365-Club** - Once again this year, Council 4828 invited all Br. Knights to include an extra \$5.00 with their annual membership dues payment for the state-wide "365-Club." Br. Knights responded very well with over 95% participation. As a result, Council 4828 ended up donating \$592 to this worthy cause at the 100<sup>th</sup> annual State Convention, which was about \$90 more than the previous year. Let's shoot for 100% participation during the current year. Your donations can be forwarded to the Financial Secretary, along with your annual dues, or you can place contributions in a collection jar at any Council meeting.

**Council Newsletter Sponsorships** - Please note that our newsletter's Sponsor's Page is still no longer included as part of Oasis Knightline. As stated in past editions of *Oasis Knightline*, this is not because it is no longer needed, but rather, because we have no advertisers at this time. As a result, we are still looking for a Br. Knight to step up and volunteer to contact our previous advertisers to reestablish their advertisements and to help us look for some new advertisers to fill up our advertising slots. Our goal is to have the newsletter be completely self-sustaining, so we would like to have fifteen to twenty sponsors. If you are available to assist in contacting our previous sponsors and/or other local business owners, or if you actually own a business or know of any businesses that might be interested in a sponsorship, please contact FS Shurtliff at 423-6911. Sponsorships are \$25.00 for four quarterly editions of the Oasis Knightline. The sponsor's page will also be published on our web-site. The Council reserves the right to review all advertisements prior to publication. (NOTE: we cannot accept advertisements from insurance companies other than K of C insurance agents)

**Rummage Sale** - Council 4828 hosted a rummage sale at Moiola Hall on June 12-13. Although we had fewer items donated than we typically do, we still had a great turnout and ended up making approximately \$1450 in profit. Thanks to Br. Tom Lukas for his overall coordination and to all of the other Br. Knights who helped make the event a success.

**New Members Needed** - There are always many new faces in our parish and many of these men have probably never been asked to join our Order. Both our Council and the Order depend on recruiting new members, so all Brother Knights are encouraged to take the initiative to ask another Catholic gentleman to join the Knights of Columbus.

**Living Rosary Services** - Br. Knights are reminded that Council 4828 is still sponsoring Living Rosary prayer services on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month. The services are held at 9:00 a.m. at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Fallon. Remember, these services are peaceful, prayerful recitations of the Rosary, to pray for an end to abortion and for the support of life in all stages. Our turn-out has been quite low during the past year, so all Brother Knights and parish members are encouraged to bring their families and support these important prayer services. If you have any questions, or want more information, contact Br. Richard Gerten at 428-2899, Br. Jeff Scholz at 423-4771, or Br. Jim Shurtliff at 423-6911.

**Mother's Day Flowers** - Once again this year, Council 4828 purchased carnations for the mothers and grandmothers of St. Patrick's parish and distributed them at the Masses on Mother's Day weekend. As in the past two years, this function was a great success, so we will be considering it as part of our annual calendar agenda for current fraternal year.

**2010/2011 Calendar of Events** - The Calendar of Events for the 2010-2011 Columbian year is being forwarded with this newsletter. Please put the calendar in a safe place so that you can reference it throughout the following year. Also remember that near-term events are always listed in *Oasis Knightline* and they should also be posted on the Council's website at [kofc4828.org](http://kofc4828.org). If you can't make it to our regular council meetings, please try to volunteer to help with one of our many special events and fundraisers. Your help is greatly needed and appreciated.

**Blood Drive** - Council 4828 sponsored a third St. Patrick's Parish Blood Drive on 19 April. It was held throughout the day in Moiola Hall and we had a fairly good turn-out, as usual. The Council would like to thank Br. Pat Laca, once again, for chairing this important event. The next blood drive will be scheduled tentatively for November.

**2010 Membership Dues** - We still have fourteen members who have not submitted their annual membership dues, which are now seven-months in arrears. The "Knight Alert" notices have been forwarded and the Notices of Intent to Suspend will be forwarded within the next month, or so. If you recently received a Knight Alert notice, please submit your payment to the Council address or directly to the Financial Secretary at 4712 Benson Lane, Fallon, NV, immediately. If you are having financial difficulties, please let us know so that other arrangements can be made. Thanks!

**On-line Data Access** - If you have access to the internet and/or EMAIL and haven't yet provided the Council with your EMAIL address, please forward it to the Financial Secretary as soon as possible. He has been sending out routine EMAILs with prayer requests and tidbits of other information for the past few years, and you are missing out. In addition, use of EMAIL notification for certain announcements and reminders helps the council save money in copying and mailing fees. Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated. Submit your address to FS Shurtliff at [shurfam@cccomm.net](mailto:shurfam@cccomm.net). Addresses will only be used for official Knights of Columbus business.