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## Octoberfest Dinner

On October 21st, Council 4828 held our annual fall dinner. This year, instead of our normal Pork Feed, we held an Octoberfest dinner, consisting of chicken cordon-bleu, noodles, candied carrots, salad, rolls, cranberry sauce, and dessert. We had a wonderful turnout and served over 100 people and, as usual, the meal was delicious and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Special thanks go to Br. Elmo Dericco for taking charge of procuring all of the food and for coordinating the overall dinner. Thanks also go to the cooks, to the waiters, and to all of the other Br. Knights who helped to set up the hall and prepare and serve the food.

As in previous years, Br. Tom Lukas' efforts paid off in obtaining complimentary dinner tickets, overnight

lodging, and other donations from various hotels, casinos, and restaurants throughout Northern Nevada. Once again, these items were used as door prizes and raffle prizes, with the raffle proceeds going to the Council's seminarian support fund. Br. Tom's mother also donated a very nice Thomas Kincaid blanket that was used as one of the top prizes. The Council wishes to thank Tom's Mother as well as the businesses that provided these door prizes for their generosity. We also have several other prizes that will be use as raffle and door prizes at some of our future events.

(NOTE: Selected photos are shown on the new "Photo Finish" page. More are available on the Council's website at <http://www.kofc4828.org>.)

## *Keeping Christ In Christmas*

(Extracted, in part, from a Supreme Council website article dated 12/07/06)

Millions of people in North America will get the message to "Keep Christ in Christmas" thanks to public service announcements from the Knights of Columbus that will be aired in the United States and Canada during the Christmas season. Radio spots encouraging people to "Keep Christ in Christmas" in various ways – including by helping the less fortunate – will be aired in English and Spanish. A public service announcement for television has been sent to TV networks and hundreds of local broadcast stations and cable television systems.

The Knights have been producing Keep Christ in Christmas public service announcements since the 1980s. Last year, the Knights of Columbus Christmas announcements reached more than 43 million television viewers and up to 37 million radio listeners. Hundreds of billboards with the same message have also been put up by local Knights of Columbus councils, and many councils sell religiously-themed Christmas cards as well.

"In the midst of an increasingly materialistic and secular society, it is all too easy to lose sight of what Christmas really means. We give gifts to each other because it is the day on which we celebrate the ultimate gift: the Christ child, the savior of mankind," said Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson. "Even those who do not share the Christian faith can and do appreciate the message of peace and hope that this Christian holiday – holy day – brings to the world. It is a message that the world needs now more than ever."

Council 4828 has been actively supporting this program for several years by setting up the Nativity Scene at St. Patrick's Church, hanging a large "Keep Christ in Christmas" banner in front of the church rectory, and displaying various posters in the Council's poster frames, near the church bulletin board. In addition, the following resolution, which was originally written by Brother and Deacon Kurt Carlson, has been included in our Council's annual Fall and Winter Editions of *Oasis Knightline*, since 2002.

**Whereas, there is a known Knight program of "Keeping Christ in Christmas"**

**and Whereas, there is a progressive incrementalism of American society that continues to erode any Christian root of Christmas, except for the purchase of gifts**

**and Whereas, younger generations are in danger of not knowing, through "political correctness," the true meaning of Christmas.**

**Be it resolved that: All Knights and their families, to the best of their conscience, support those businesses, or those communities, that have the courage to continue to display appropriate Christmas images**

**and be it further resolved: That all councils read this resolution at their meeting closest to Advent.**

As you finish purchasing your Christmas gifts and preparing for the holidays, remember that Christmas Day is not the end of the Christmas Season, but rather, it is when we celebrate Jesus' birth. Also, remember that the gift of God, Himself, in the person of Jesus Christ, is the one true gift that never stops giving.