



The Knightly Chatter

Riverside Knights of Columbus

Bishop John T. Kidd Council # 4924

891 St. Rose St Windsor On N8S 1X4

Website: www.kofc4924.com

November/December 2013



Chaplain's Message: Fr. Dennis Wilhelm

Dear Brother Knights:

Fr. Dennis is currently unable to contribute to the Knightly Chatter. Please join me in praying for a quick recovery of Fr. Dennis. Fr. Matthew George will be the administrator of OLOG until Fr. Dennis returns. Welcome Fr. Matthew, and we hope you will enjoy your time here.

Grand Knight's Message: Jesmond Tabone

Brothers,

Wow where has the year gone? 2013 is coming to a close and I'm proud to say as a council we have done a lot of good. It is your support and dedication that makes us a great and successful council. It is my pleasure and honour to serve as your Grand Knight.

On December 14 we will be having our annual Christmas dinner and awards night at St. Rose hall. This is a special event as we will also be honouring our Past Grand Knight Gerald Thibeault for his countless dedication and efforts as Grand Knight for the last 3 years. Please come out and join us in thanking him for all he has done for our council.

You also may have heard that there have been some changes in how we are doing things. I know many of us do not like change, but at the same time change is good. If you would like to see what our changes are please come out to a meeting or an event to see for yourself. Changes are being made to ensure our continuous success as a council.

Recently we have encountered families of deceased members who didn't know they were a member, or what their wishes were. I encourage all brother knights to share with your family your wishes of K of C prayers and your council name in the event of your passing.

On September 22 we held our annual family picnic. I was unable to attend because of a family commitment but I have been assured that it was a great time for young and old. A special thanks to Bro. Mike LaButte and his wife Kathy. As always they are always willing to do what is needed to ensure a successful event.

Please check out our calendar of events as we have many different events for all to enjoy.

Lastly I would like to thank the past and current executive and the entire membership for all your prayers and support during the past year.

On behalf of myself , Dawn and Ariela and the rest of the Tabone Family we would like to wish you all a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours in Christ,
Jesmond Tabone
Grand Knight

Deputy Grand Knight: Trevor Thomas

Dear Brother Knights

I hope you had an enjoyable Thanksgiving with your families.

Brothers please join the council at our annual Memorial Mass on November 10 at O.L.O.G. 11:00 AM mass to remember our departed Brother Knights. Let's not forget our Canadian men and women in the military who died for our freedom on Remembrance Day.

It's Hard to believe Christmas is around the corner so don't forget to register your children or grandchildren for the council children's Christmas Party at St. Rose hall. Brothers I hope to see you and your wives at the council Christmas/Awards Dinner. Come out and catch up with some old friends.

The Good fellow paper drive is in November please help the less fortunate by volunteering to sell the paper. If you know any men in our O.L.O.G. Parish, your sons, grandsons please let them know what the Knights of Columbus all about.

On behalf of myself, my wife Bonnie and entire Thomas family we wish you a Merry Christmas and safe and prosperous New Year.

Fraternally yours,
Trevor Thomas
Deputy Grand Knight

District Deputy: Ver Verzosa

October was our Parish Membership campaign. But do we have to stop right there? Our membership drive is on going for the whole Fraternal year and all our council program must have this component. Let us ask around. Some of them are just waiting to be asked and learn what the Knights of Columbus are. Let us keep that motto, *"One Member Per Council Per Month"*.

First and Second Degree is scheduled at the Parish of Atonement, hosted by Council 8919 in Forest Glade on November 17, 2013. Please line up your candidates or send the 1st degree members who had not taken their Second yet.

November is the month to remember our deceased friends, relatives and Brother Knights. Let us offer them prayers for the repose of their soul and remember them, and their accomplishment during their time with us. Participate in the celebration of their lives through our Memorial Mass.

In behalf of my wife, Terry, and the whole family, may everybody have a very Merry Christmas.

Vivat Jesus,
Ver Verzosa, DD
District #39

Members who are not well

Brothers if you are not well or know of a member who is not well please contact GK Jesmond Tabone at 519-992-0331 or Chancellor Jerome Tschirhart at 519-945-3177 and we will arrange a visit or prayer service.

District Warden: Jules Santarossa

Dear Brothers,

As I look in the obituaries, I have noticed that there are a number of Knights dying in this city and in the local area. There has never been a time that we require new Knights in our order. By the time I write this I hope that your recruitment was successful. We must always keep in mind ONE NEW MEMBER PER MONTH PER COUNCIL. Also there is a challenge to the executive to lead by example and recruit a new member.

Jules Santarossa

District Warden

Pro-Life Directors Report – Jerome Tschirhart

On October 9 we talked to Fr. Wilhelm regarding inserting the K of C's "Winning Words of Life" brochure into our parish's Sunday bulletin. Father was going to read it (it is quit lengthy) and get back to us. Since then Father has taken seriously ill. This project is now on hold. Let us pray for our wonderful chaplains complete recovery.

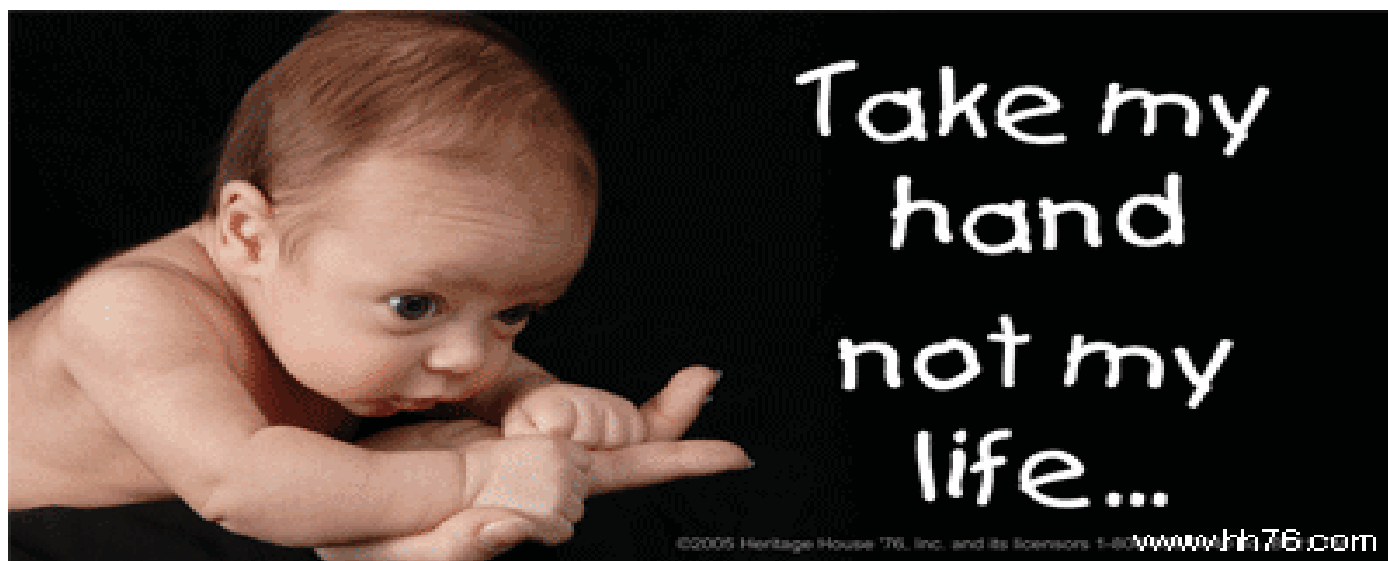
Consequences of Abortion.

School enrollment is in a freefall. Teachers are being laid off and there is not enough government funding to cover operating costs. WHY? We have killed 4.5 million babies since 1969. Should we be surprised at all that enrollment is declining. The equivalent of 4,344 classes disappeared in Canada because of abortion and some of the teachers unions have made pro-abortion statements. They're eliminating the people who keep them in business. We have spent 30-50 million dollard every year to kill children in the womb in Ontario alone. With those funds we could have hired 200 doctors, 400 nurses and buy 20 new MRI machines. We have eliminated tax payers who would have paid for the government services we Canadians love so much. Abortion is the elephant in the room we Canadians do not want to face up to. We will in the near future.

Thank you

Jerome Tschirhart

Pro-Life Director



Fraternat Advisor Report: Eric Sylvester



I am your Knights of Columbus Life Policy

I am a piece of paper...but even more.
I am an idea, a promise.
I help people achieve their dreams and financial security.
I am education for the children.
I am savings.
I am property increasing in value from year to year.
I lend money when you need it most, with no questions asked.

I pay off mortgages so families can stay together in their homes.

I create, manage and distribute properties.

I guarantee the continuity of business...I protect the jobs of employees...

I conserve the employer's investment.

I am the tangible evidence of your concern for your family.

I am a declaration of financial independence, a character of economic freedom.

I am the difference between an "old man or women" and an "elderly gentleman or lady."

I provide cash if illness, injury, old age, or death cut the breadwinners income.

I am the only thing the breadwinner can buy on installment basis that the family doesn't have to finish paying for.

I am a certificate of character, an evidence of good citizenship, an impeachable title to the right of self-government.

I am protected by laws that prevent creditors from accessing the money I give to your loved ones.

I bring dignity, peace of mind and security to the latter years of life.

I supply investment capital for the economy.

I guarantee that life will go on, that there will always be food and shelter for your family even if the breadwinner is no longer there.

I am the guardian angel of your home.

I AM YOUR LIFE INSURANCE POLICY.

WHEN YOU ARE TEMPTED TO CANCEL THIS POLICY, PLEASE READ ME ONE MORE TIME WITH AN OPEN MIND AND CARING HEART.

Eric Sylvester FIC 519-257-5513 eric.sylvester@kofc.org

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2013– 2014 Executive

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Wife</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Email</u>
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Guards	Danny Deshaies			
Guards	Gord Meloche	Shirley		
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Trustee 2 year	Val Hompoth	Linda		balint47@aol.com
Trustee 3 year	Gerald Thibeault	Sherri	519-567-4924	gtibo56@hotmail.com

Ladies' night out.

Enjoy a night at the theatre and get to know other wives in the council. If we have enough interest, we can get discounted group tickets for a play at the University of Windsor in February. For more information contact Dawn Tabone at 519-970-9532 or Brigitte McFadden at 519-948-5466.

2014 Charity Lottery

Tickets for the 2014 Charity Lottery are now available. Tickets are \$5.00 each. We are still in need of a Chairman to run this lottery for our council. If you are interested please call GK Jesmond Tabone at 519-992-0331. Without this lottery we will lose a large amount of money for the charities we support. Please seriously consider taking this chairmanship.

2014 Prize Board. Total value of the prize board is \$700,000 of cash , electronics and pre-paid credit cards.

<u>Number of Prizes</u>	<u>Value</u>
1	\$250,000
1	\$100,000
1	\$50,000
2	\$25,000
5	\$10,000
15	Panasonic 50" LED HD TV Valued \$1,174.62 each
15	Canon Powershot Camera G1-X valued at \$790.72 each
25	Asus 15.6" Laptop X550CA-FB31 valued at \$566.68 each
35	Samsung 32" LED TV EH4003 series valued at \$484.21 each
100	Sony 300-Watt Home Theatre System BDVE 190 Valued at \$278.09 each
200	HP Slates 7.7" Tablet-Slate valued at \$209.37 each
100	Pre-paid credit cards valued at \$200.00 each
100	Pre-paid credit cards valued at \$150.00 each
100	Pre-paid credit cards valued at \$100.00 each
300	Kobo Mini E-reader valued at \$92.08 each

Children's Christmas Party

Sunday December 1, 2013 at 1:00pm

Dear Brother Knights

Register your children or grandchildren for the Christmas party by

November 17, 2013

Please register your children even if they were registered last year. Children up to age 14 are eligible. Please note the registration date for your children for this year's Christmas Party. In order for us to maintain our cost at a reasonable level, we desperately need this information. NO names will be taken after November 17. Membership cards required.

Thank-you Mike LaButte Children's Christmas Party Chairman.



Riverside K of C Council 4924

Annual Children's Christmas Party

Names of Children

Boy or Girl

Age

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Member's Name _____

Drop off at St. Rose Hall or contact Mike LaButte at 519-944-2658 or email

mlabutte@cogeco.ca. No names will be accepted after November 17, 2013

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Membership Dues

The 2014 dues are being collected now

The dues schedule is as follows:

Regular.....\$55.00

Retiree.....\$45.00

(not employed on a part time basis)

Honorary Member.....\$20.00

25 years of uninterrupted membership at age 65

Honorary Life Member.....No Fee

25 years uninterrupted membership at age 70.

Any questions please call the Financial Secretary

Mike La Butte at 519-944-2658 or email mlabutte@cogeco.ca

Prayer for Seminarians

Lord, bless those preparing for the priesthood in the Catholic Diocese of London.

May their hearts overflow with love and generosity, as they grow in wisdom and faith.

May their example inspire others to hear and answer your call.

Guide them as they discern and prepare for a life of service to your people.

Fill our seminarians with your peace and joy as they prepare for the Sacrament of Holy Orders.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

AMEN

Mary, Mother of priests, pray for us
St. John Vianney, Patron of Priests pray for us

www.dolvocations.dol.ca

IMPORTANT:

Notify The Financial Secretary promptly in case of change of address.

Make cheque payable to :

K. of C Council 4924

Name _____ Amount \$ _____

Mailing address, phone # and email address:



Please Remit membership dues to:

Bishop John T. Kidd Council 4924

Knights of Columbus

897 St. Rose St.

Windsor ON N8S 1X4

Come out and support our council at Paradise Gaming Centre. If you are able to assist in working Bingos please contact Bill Demers at 519-974-0081.

November 10th - Sunday - 6:45 pm to 8:45 pm
November 23rd - Saturday - 8:45 pm to 10:45 m
December 7th - Saturday - 8:45 pm to 10:45 pm
December 20th - Friday - 10:45 pm to 12:45 am

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday November 10	Memorial Mass reception after	OLOG 11:00am mass
Saturday November 23	Spirit of Christmas	Average Joe's Noon—?
Sunday November 24	Knights Night out Spitfires Game \$55. Contact Jesmond at 519-992-0331	Puck drop 2:05 at the WFCU Centre
Sunday December 1	Children's Christmas party (see attached form)	St. Rose 1:00pm
Wednesday December 4	Christmas Reception (members only)	St. Rose 6:00pm
Saturday December 14	Christmas/Awards Dinner \$20.00 contact PGK Gerald Thibeault at 519 567-4924	St. Rose Cocktails 5:30pm Dinner 6:30pm
Wednesday February 5	Pizza dinner (members only) \$5.00	St. Rose 6:00pm
February 15	Pasta dinner fundraiser for OLOG \$10.00	OLOG 6:00pm - 8:00pm
Thursday February 20	Knights Night out Spitfires Game \$55.	Puck drop 7:05 at the WFCU Centre
Saturday March 1	Cancer Centre Fundraiser \$25. More info to follow	Serbian Centre Time 6:00pm
Sunday March 23	Corporate Communion	OLOG 11:00am mass
Weekend April 26	Membership Drive	OLOG all masses all weekend
Wednesday May 7	Steak dinner/Elections(members only) \$15.00	St. Rose 6:00pm

K of C /Hospice Fundraiser was a Great Event

The 16th Annual Knights of Columbus Fundraising Dinner event to benefit the Hospice of Windsor was a great event and spoke well of the fraternalism, the positive financial effect, and the good feeling of councils and brother knights working together. About 18 councils from Windsor-Essex County took part and sent representatives. Most as well, were on hand to present a cheque to Hospice in amounts ranging from \$2500. to a few hundred dollars. The cumulative total came to \$9,325.00 for the evening. It is known that one or more councils sent a cheque directly to Hospice and it is hoped that a few councils have yet to contribute. Included in this total was the proceeds (\$600.00) of a well-stocked draw prize table with 49 gifts! It was most gratifying to have the support of so many businesses and services in contributing to the prize table. (If you attended and were a winner a note or email to thank the donor would be appreciated by the organizers of this event... it will make seeking prizes for future events that much easier!) Special guests bearing messages were State Treasure Peter Lemon and his wife Beverly and District Deputy of 76, Jerry Fairlie. Carol Derbyshire, the Executive Director of the Hospice of Life Foundation had an informative address and expressed great appreciation for this longstanding effort of the knights. Fr. Matthew Durham, Director, Community Engagement and Advancement offered grace and assisted with the raffle. Fr. Darius Jagodzinski, Assoc. Pastor of St. Anne's, offered a fitting grace of thanksgiving. Brother knight Mike Agius, a member of Fr Paul J.F. Wattson Council 8919 and who was the originator of this event shared a message and touched on the history of the effort. All speakers expressed how they and their families were touched by the goodness of Hospice and the care of its staff and corps of volunteers. These messages reinforced what a leading organization this is and the privilege that we, as knights, have a part to play in the ongoing success and growth of Hospice. As Carol Derbyshire shared with us, there is an expansion planned with a satellite Hospice destined for Leamington. The Hospice of Windsor is indeed a national leader!

Special thanks to the councils joining in the event: St. Vincent de Paul, Cardinal Stepanic, Bishop J.T. Kidd, Sacred Heart(La Salle), Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, St. Therese, Fr. Nolan, Holy Names of Jesus (Essex), Belle River, St. Jerome's, Victor C. Cote, Lionel Belanger, St. Joseph's (River Canard), Fr. Paul J.F. Wattson, St. Peter Marionite, St. Clement (McGregor) Holy Family and the host council Fr. Nicholas Point.

About 111 enjoyed a fine meal of Chicken Paprikas and Braised Pork Sirloin that was prepared by chefs Harry Campeau, Mira Culomavic and Bev Poupard. As a member of Council 4375, it was most pleasant to hear the compliments regarding the food and the service of the wait staff. I suggest that it would have been a positive boost to the general membership of Fr. Nicholas Point had more been present to witness the product of our hall and staff. There is a pride in ownership when our facility can host such an event.

Special thanks to P. G.K. Neil Vaselenuick, the event chair, GK Dr. Charles Frank, Donna Marcotte and Kathy Frank and F.S. Jim Cushman. St. Vincent de Paul Council will be next year's host and other host councils have offered until it returns to Fr. Paul Wattson Council who will host the 20th annual event.

Jerry J. Marcotte

District Warden of 76

<u>General Meetings 7:30pm</u>	<u>Executive Meeting 7:30pm</u>
Wednesday Nov 6	Wednesday Nov 27
Wednesday Dec 4	Wednesday Dec 18
Wednesday Jan 8	Wednesday Jan 22
Wednesday Feb 5	Wednesday Feb 26
Wednesday Mar 5	Wednesday Mar 26
Wednesday Apr 2	Wednesday Apr 23
Wednesday May 7	Wednesday May 28
Wednesday Jun 4	

Family Program

Just a reminder to bring canned goods to our general membership meetings. All can goods will be donated to the St. Vincent De Paul Society at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish. Your support is truly needed.

Important Notice:

All general and executive meetings will be held at St. Rose hall

DEPARTED BROTHER KNIGHTS

WE HAVE LOVED THEM IN LIFE: LET US NOT FORGET THEM IN DEATH!

Remember our fellow Brothers who have gone before us and keep them in our prayers. God of power and mercy, you have made death itself the gateway to eternal life. Look with love on our dying brothers, and make them one with Your Son in His suffering and death, that sealed with the blood of Christ, they may come before you free from sin. Amen

Bro. James O'Connor November 16, 2012

Bro. George Docherty November 17, 2012

Bro. Terry Panter December 4, 2012

Bro. Joseph Cassar December 4, 2012

Bro. Richard Grenier January 23, 2013

Bro. Lawrence Ouellette January 26, 2013

Bro. Leo Cousineau February 21, 2013

Bro. Rene Leboeuf February 23, 2013

Bro. Bernard Leonard April 17, 2013

Bro. Ray Girard May 16, 2013

Bro. Vince Sobocan May 20, 2013

Bro. Ronald Chevalier July 27

Bro. Gordon Goebel August 14, 2013

Bro. Larry Parent August 28, 2013

Bro. Roy Deslippe September 12, 2013

Bro. Raymond Bray September 15, 2013

Our memorial Mass will be held on Sunday November 10 at OLOG at the 11am mass. A lite social will take place after the mass. Please pray for our Brothers who have gone to meet our Lord since our last memorial mass.



Bishop John T. Kidd Golf League

On Saturday September 14, 2103 150 league members and wives attended the annual awards banquet held at Riverside Banquet Hall. The league was honoured in having the Grand Knight Jesmond Tabone and his wife Dawn in attendance.

Awards for the season

Team Champ—Matt Janisse, Len Janisse, Chris Boaces, Gerry Ascott, Bob Collnexa

A Flight– Matt Janisse

B Flight- Chris Boakes

C Flight- Joe Recpery

D Flight—Mike LaButte

Charity funding by the golf league members.

\$250– Council Safety Patrol appreciation day

\$100– Spirit of Christmas

\$540 Thanksgiving dinner for local young adult disabled group.

2014 Season Organization meeting Sat April 12, 2014 1:00pm at Average Joes

2014 Knights of Columbus International Golf Tournament June 8—14, 2014 Tuscon Arizona

For more information contact Fred Martin:

Nov—Mar 239-985-7050

April—June 519-948-0843

Fred Martin,

Golf League President.

Congratulations to Fred Martin for winning the Good of the Order at our September general membership meeting. Fred won \$792.00 Bro Fred generously donated his winnings to the Golf Leagues charitable works.



Membership Drive

On the weekend of October 26 and 27 we held our membership drive at OLOG. We spoke to about 70 men who expressed interest in joining our council. We look forward to hearing back from them and move forward with their membership into our council. Our Worthy GK Jesmond Tabone spoke at all masses that weekend and our Worthy Recorder Ron Dunn spoke at the Spanish mass as well. Special thanks to the following brother knights who helped out at each of the mass. Bro. Jerome Tschiriart, Bro. Eric Sylvester, Bro. Tom Ray, Worthy DD Ver Verzosa, Worthy DGK Trevor Thomas, Bro. Rheal Garon, Bro. Ron Dunn and a very special thanks to Bro. John McFadden who was at every mass with me that weekend. Thank you to Fr. Matthew George and Fr. Dan Morand who allowed us to speak to the congregation to help recruit new members. We look forward to greeting new members very soon.



Knights of the Month

Congratulations to Brother Rheal Garon for being the Knight of the Month for September. Bro. Rheal was camera shy.

The Knight of the month for October has not been announced yet.

Message from the editor.

I hope that everyone is enjoying this and past editions of The Knightly Chatter. If you know of someone who is not receiving The Chatter please feel free to call me at 519-970-9532 or email me at kofc4924@gmail.com. When contacting me please let me know who you are and who is not getting the Chatter and please include a mailing address or e-mail. To help keep costs down we ask that if you are able to receive the Chatter electronically (e-mail) please contact me at kofc4924@gmail.com As always if you wish to something in particular please let us know.

Yours in Christ

Jesmond Tabone

The Knightly Chatter Editor

I'm Keeping CHRIST in CHRISTmas ... Who's with me?

Author: Bob Van Zandt - Founder and His Servant -SonGear.com

When I was young, there was one thing that we always looked forward to each year. Mom pulling out the box of Christmas decorations the Friday after US Thanksgiving. She would spend hours placing the cheerful decorations perfectly around the house, with that special touch that only mom had.

This was a special day, because it officially launched the countdown to Christmas Day. The coming weeks would be filled with baking special treats, Dad hanging lights around the house, practicing for the Christmas Program at Church, and best of all, blowing 11 months of dust off the Nat King Cole album and playing "O Come All Ye Faithful" -- ah yes, that velvety voice!

The Christmas season has always been that time of year when you could count on a whole-hearted feeling of joy and peace among everyone, a celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ garnished with everything good in life. When I was growing up, it was something everyone celebrated, as far as I was concerned.

Looking back, some 35 years later, I don't really recall the point at which I realized there was whittling away of this precious day -- but there is no mistaking the annual "Holiday" movement nowadays. My best guess is it started sometime around the launch of the Cabbage Patch Kids. Remember those lovable little dolls that somehow became hard to find, just weeks before Christmas, creating one of our first glimpses of chaotic consumerism.

I must admit, at the time, I was amused watching nightly news stories that featured clips of 50 or so parents clawing the store manager to get one of the 10 or 15 dolls that arrived on the delivery truck the night before.

But, sometime between the *Cabbage Chaos* and the invention of modern day "Political Correctness", a movement spawned to devalue the one celebration that brings peace and joy to millions, if not billions of people, around the world. A celebration so powerful that caused a temporary truce in the middle of a World War; and transcends political, social, cultural and economic differences that plague society 11 months out of the year. All because of one word: "Christmas" ... the very word that defines the celebration.

I'm amazed by the offensive worrying the media and big business have injected into mainstream society to protect a seemingly powerful, yet non-existent group that is annually traumatized by hearing or reading very word "Christmas". Exactly where are these victims?

Lets face it, unfortunately, it's not that hard to find someone who hates Christians and is hungry for a moment of publicity to tout his or her hatred. And, the media, with their "ratings-by-controversy" approach to journalism, is all too willing to present this as if it's an epidemic on the verge of dismantling human existence. You will never convince me that one ounce of harm is caused to anyone reading or hearing the very word: "Christmas".

However, if by chance I'm missing the plight of an unknown entity that is, in some way, emotionally rattled by reading the word "Christmas", that's a good thing as far as I'm concerned. Why? Because ultimately it's causing them to question their own faith and make a decision to follow Him or not. And, if the offended victims hate me for it, I'm in good company because Jesus was hated, too -- remember Jesus said: *"If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first."* John 15:18

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Why become a Knight?

In today's world, many Catholic men are looking to fulfill their desire to spend meaningful time with their family, to serve their community and their Church, and to grow in their faith. Joining the Knights of Columbus provides these men and their families with volunteer opportunities and activities that accomplish these goals. If you are such a man who is dedicated to making a difference, then membership in the Knights of Columbus is for you.

Additionally, the Knights of Columbus also offers a portfolio of top-quality life insurance, long-term care, and annuity products exclusively for members and their families.

Who are the Knights?

Knights are Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church.

Knights share camaraderie with men who hold values similar to yours. Knights are involved with your community; they support your local Catholic Church and its causes, while deepening their faith; and they believe in protecting and enhancing their family life.

The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic lay organization with more than 1.7 million members in 13,000 councils located throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, Poland, and several other countries.