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## NEWSLETTER

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Worthy State Officers, District Deputies and Brother Knights

As you may be aware, 12 employees of the Center of Family Love in Okarche lost everything in the floods that devastated the Kingfisher/Watonga area this past weekend. The Center of Family Love did not sustain any damage, but the Center is trying to provide assistance to these employees, most of who live in rental housing and do not have insurance

ITEMS NEEDED – Mattress & Box Springs, Couches, Chairs, Washers & Dryers, Refrigerators, Toasters, Microwaves, Lamps, Televisions, Diapers (Size 4), Bottled Water & Food

The Oklahoma State Council is sending \$1,000 from the Special Charity Fund to Jim for this relief effort, but I know this amount will not come close to meeting the needs caused by this freak weather occurrence

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Vivat Jesus, Vivat Maria,

Paul Weigl  
State Deputy  
Oklahoma State Council  
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## Barbaric Britain

New Haven, CT - September 7, 2007- "The decision by Great Britain's Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority to permit the cloning of hybrid embryos - part human and part animal - represents a staggering descent toward high-tech barbarism," Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said today.

"It is a shocking assault on the fundamental dignity of the human person, and the utilitarian excuse given for the decision is emblematic of the utterly amoral 'standards' that some in the scientific community are all too willing to apply in the field of stem cell research," Anderson continued. "It is nonsense to claim that, having crossed the momentous threshold of creating human/animal hybrids, it will be somehow possible to control it with 'caution and careful scrutiny.' Worst of all, the decision is driven by a grudging recognition that the appetite of some stem cell researchers for human embryos far exceeds the number that they can obtain from fertility clinics. And so British researchers will now be permitted to compound one horror - experimentation on live embryonic human beings - with another: the creation of human/animal hybrids."

The Knights of Columbus, with more than 1.7 million members worldwide, is among the most active pro-life groups in the U.S., Canada and other countries, and provides substantial support for the National Catholic Bioethics Center as well as for a wide variety of pro-life groups and projects.

## Calendar of Events

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It has been brought up at several meetings that we may want to look for more fundraising options. If anyone can think of some other things that we may want to try please bring it up at our meetings and we'll see what we can do.

**Saturday, September 29th** is our Octoberfest Feast. All help would be greatly appreciated. We are fortunate enough to have two new knights going to their 1<sup>st</sup> degree ceremonies. This will be held at Our Lady of Fatima in Nicoma Park. This also should be mentioned with all of the wonderful efforts of Charlie Werchan and the prospects he has brought into the Knights. If you know anything that would be interested, please make sure to let them know of the meeting October 7.

The server's luncheon was a big hit with over 40 that turned out. The water balloons, eggs, and obstacle course were great fun. Thank you to all of the Knights that help make the afternoon such a big hit.

We had a big turnout for Harrah Daze. The 4<sup>th</sup> degrees look great and did a wonderful job. We were also fortunate enough to have more than 15 ride the float in the parade. A special 'thank-you' to Joe Tytanic for the use of his trailer.

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