

KNIGHTS RESPOND TO HURRICANE KATRINA



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARITIES UNITED IN CHARITY

As of Sept. 29, the Order's Hurricane Katrina relief fund had received 3,205 gifts totaling \$778,359.

Msgr. John Canepa Council 5164 in Birmingham, Ala., donated \$1,000 to hurricane relief efforts: \$500 to the Supreme Council's disaster fund and \$500 to Catholic Charities.

Holy Cross Council 8509 in Kernersville, N.C., has adopted Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Lumberton, Miss. As of Sept. 28, the Knights had raised \$1,000 for the church and its parishioners. The council also shipped 6,000 cubic feet of donations by truck to the families affected by the hurricane. The donations ranged from nonperishable food and clothing to furniture and tools.

Holy Name Council 4713 in Winfield, Kan., contributed \$3,500 to hurricane relief: \$1,000 to Catholic Charities and \$2,500 to Holy Name Church to use as its pastor sees fit to help evacuees.

Bishop Becker Council 2427 in Elkton, Md., is collecting funds for Hurricane Katrina relief during its weekly bingo game. At its council hall, the Knights have set out jars for patrons to donate cash and spare change. In two weeks, more than \$500 has been collected. The council also loaned its commercial-size popcorn machine to a local youth group that popped and sold 150 bags of popcorn at a community event, with all proceeds going to hurricane relief efforts.

Members of James D. Kirwan Council 12765 in Robertsedale, Ala., volunteered at the Red Cross relief center and worked with Catholic Charities. They also raised \$1,000 for disaster relief. With the money they raised the Knights purchased cleaning supplies and delivered them to St. Margaret Church in Bayou LaBatre, Ala.

Battlefield Council 10246 in Chancellorsville, Va., donated the proceeds from the state council's football

SOONER KNIGHTS RESPOND



Knights Greg Ardoin and Mark Trout of Bartlesville (Okla.) Council 1302 were among the council members who helped package tons of relief goods for hurricane victims. Grand Knight Mark Janda reported that Ardoin spent two weekends coordinating the Knights' response and recruited volunteers from where he works to help out.

sweepstakes, amounting to \$454, to Katrina relief. Frank Goonan of Council 10246 helped organized the delivery of two tractor trailers of water, food, baby formula and diapers to a shelter in Baton Rouge, La.

St. Ann Council 11079 in Naples, Fla., donated \$500 to disaster relief. Proceeds from its Oct. 16 pancake breakfast will also be donated to hurricane relief.

Most Holy Rosary Council 11511 in Upper Marlboro, Md., contributed to its parish collection for Catholic Charities, which raised \$20,000.

On Sept. 11, Rev. Thomas J. Larkin Assembly in Brockville, Ont., held a "record-a-thon." A disc jockey played records for dancing. A special tribute of American patriotic music was dedicated to the United States to commemorate the 9/11 anniversary. The event raised \$422, which was given to the Canadian Red Cross for Katrina relief.

St. John the Evangelist Council 7541 in Goshen, Ind., donated \$500 to the Order's relief fund. Members also helped with a parish garage sale that

raised more than \$1,000 for Katrina assistance.

The North Carolina State Council made a \$4,000 donation to Katrina relief from its "Penny A Day" fund. Each member, through council billing, is asked to voluntarily donate \$3.65 annually to this fund for emergency needs. As of Sept. 29, North Carolina councils have donated \$12,180 to the Order's disaster relief fund.

Bishop Charles P. Greco Council 9499 in Mt. Clemmons, N.C., donated \$760.

Pilot Point (Texas) Council 2045 raised \$12,044 over two weekends for Katrina relief.

NOVA SCOTIA KNIGHTS GIVE

State Deputy Charles A. MacAulay reports that as of Sept. 30, Nova Scotia Knights have raised and contributed more than \$4,000 to the Katrina Fund. Councils and assemblies are having breakfast and dinner fund-raisers, card games and other events to help hurricane victims.