



SILENT KNIGHT Christmas Message 2009

Dearest **Silent Knights**,

Blessings to all of you this Christmas and into the New Year.

This year marks the end of our first decade of **SILENT KNIGHT** Service and the beginning of another year of opportunity.

Silent Knights continue to perform great and small acts of charity that make a difference in the lives of those in their community and in places far from our comfortable homes. Please know that your participation in this anonymous charitable effort is profoundly appreciated and that Mo and I pray you are surrounded this holiday season by those you cherish the most.

We are reprinting **SILENT KNIGHT** Cards and ordering more lapel pins as the requests have emptied our stock. Due to the generous partnership with the Good Samaritans of the Knights Templar (GSKT) Foundation <http://www.goodsamaritansoftheknightstemplar.com/>, cards and lapel pins are being provided so that we may continue to meet the growing number of requests worldwide from people of many Christian denominations, chivalric organizations, and many other individuals that simply have the heart to care for their fellow man in this anonymous cause. Should you wish to donate to the **SILENT KNIGHT** effort, please visit that website. Your gift to GSKT is tax deductible.

So far, your efforts (that we know of) have inspired: hundreds of thousands of dollars in direct aid to needy persons in over 26 nations; poetry; encouragement; and I just received information that a sculpture is being planned in England with a sword in a stone with SK on the sword, and the motto, "Not unto us, Oh Lord, not unto us, but to Thy Name give glory." The sculpture is the individual effort of a Silent Knight residing in the U.K. and would be an inspiration to young students that visit the proposed site. To name a few successes, Silent Knights have provided for needy students in a school district, individual utility payments for families, at least one car, a home for a year, a class trip, aid to disaster areas, aid to schools in Africa, surgery for a disfigured person, and countless small gifts ranging from groceries to words of encouragement. Every one of those gifts was a blessing to the recipient and to the giver.

As we end our first decade of service, I think of the number of gracious Silent Knights we have had the good fortune to call friends. Our oldest Silent Knight (who has shared her age with us) is well into her nineties and continues to make a difference from her home and remains an inspiration to us. We lost a wonderful friend and Silent Knight to pancreatic cancer and know

several others who are struggling with personal or family illness or hardship. We want you to know you are all in our prayers.

This has been an exciting decade for us and our Silent Knights and we thank you all for your efforts in His Name and for sharing many of your random acts of charity with us. We love your stories. Please know how grateful we are for having the opportunity to have met you in person, by phone, or over email. You are a blessing to us and to all those you serve.



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