Guilford Knights of Columbus Raises more than \$9,000 for Interfaith Ministries

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In just one night, the Guilford Knights of Columbus (K of C) succeeded in raising more than \$9,000 to assist several local programs that help Guilford residents in need.

Thanks to a fabulous local response to the Guilford K of C-sponsored *Late Nite Catechism* one-act show at Guilford High School (May 15), event organizer Jim Mancini said the local K of C's outreach mission exceeded the scale of any past missions.

The group raised a total of \$9,144.30 to give to Guilford Interfaith Ministries (GIM) programs, including Guilford Food Bank, Charlie's Closet, Guilford Meals on Wheels, and Guilford Friendly Visiting.

"The Knights of Columbus want to thank all of those who sponsored and participated in *Late Nite Catechism*, making this a very successful fundraiser for Guilford Interfaith Ministries," said Mancini.

On May 15, the K of C sponsored a local performance of the nationally acclaimed show and reached out to local businesses and organizations to help support funding the one-act through program ads. Of course, the community helped out, too, snapping up tickets and attending the comedy-laced show featuring "Sister" the nun in her Catechism classroom. One hundred percent of all proceeds from ticket sales were channeled directly to GIM programs, said Mancini.

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Mancini said the Guilford K of C is a charitable organization that does plenty of outreach in the community year-round, but bringing in the cast and crew to put on a professional, live performance of *Late Nite* was the first such large-scale sponsorship effort the organization's undertaken.

The Guilford K of C members decided to sponsor the show on behalf of GIM in response to news that, due to the economic downturn, revenue has remained flat at GIM this year, while expenses and services have increased.

To learn more about programs of GIM or to make a contribution, visit <u>www.gimct.org</u>.