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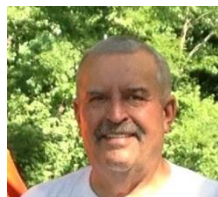
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Grand Knights Report



From Worthy Grand Knight Tony Ozella

* We had 3 new Members join our Council as 1st Degree Knights; Tony Simmons, Mark McMurray and Greg Serangeli, please welcome them to our Council.

*We raised \$400.00 for St. Pat's Cub Scouts at our pancake & Sausage breakfast on Feb. 7th, a big thanks to Don Taylor for chairing this event and all the Knights that helped.

*We voted to buy \$200.00 worth of playground equipment (balls, jump ropes, etc.) for St. Pat's School; Scott Ozella is purchasing the equipment that they need.

*There will be a Major degree (1st, 2nd and 3rd) at St. Monica's in East Peoria starting @ 12:30. This is an excellent opportunity for 1st Degree Knights to earn their 2nd and 3rd Degree's. Let Tim May or Tony Ozella know if you want to go so we can give them a head count. After the Degree work there will be a meal served. There is no cost to you and you will probably be home by 6:00pm.

*Remember the Lenten fish fry's every Friday; many hands are needed to help.

* Many of us wondered if all the effort and expense to remodel the Hall would be worth it. It would appear that is a definite "YES", the Hall is booked solid through the middle of May. This creates a need for more Members to help running the events, especially bartending. It's not hard to do, a quick training on how to run the register is the main thing, all liquor bottles are marked and most of the drinks are simple. If you feel that you can help us, contact Scott Ozella @678-0979.

*Paul Toyne is planning a drive-up chicken dinner in April, with the proceeds going to Special Olympics, which is one of the many organizations that our Supreme Council supports. Details will be announced later.

Upcoming Events

- *Wed. March 2nd – Columbus Club & KC Officers meeting starting @ 7:00pm. All Members are welcome
- *Fri. March 4th – Fish Fry from 5:00 to 7:00, help needed.
- *Fri. March 11th – Fish Fry from 5:00 to 7:00, help needed
- *Sat. March 12th – Daddy/Daughter Dance @ the Hall, bring your Princess and party.
- *Wed. March 16th – KC meeting starting @ 7:00pm.
- *Fri. March 18th – Fish Fry, help needed.
- *Fri. March 25th – Good Friday fish fry, help needed.

Vocations

Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP)

(From Knights of Columbus Supreme web site) <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/vocations/rsvp/index.html>

Through the Knights of Columbus Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP), councils, assemblies and Squires circles “adopt” one or more seminarians or postulants and provide them with financial assistance and moral support.

RSVP money is used by seminarians and those in religious formation for tuition and books, car insurance and maintenance, travel during vacations, emergency expenditures and other living expenses. Knights provide more than financial support, though. Members write letters to students, sponsor dinners for them, invite them to join the Order and, most importantly, pray for vocations.

Last year, financial help from 3,224 councils, assemblies and circles to future priests, sisters and brothers, exceeded \$3.7 million. Since 1981 the Order has provided more than \$60 million in aid through RSVP, helping more than 91,600 men and women follow their vocations.

Qualifying councils and assemblies receive a \$100 refund for every \$500 donated, up to a limit of \$2,000 donated to an individual, while the refund for Squires is \$20 for every \$100 donated. In the Philippines and Mexico, councils and assemblies receive the equivalent in local currency of \$50 for every \$250 donated.

Vocation Scholarships

(From Knights of Columbus Supreme web site) <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/vocations/scholarships.html>

For the 2014-15 academic year, 34 new Father McGivney Vocations Scholarships were awarded to 31 U.S. and three Canadian seminarians enrolled in 24 major schools of theology.

The seminarians are studying for 27 U.S. dioceses, three Canadian dioceses and three religious institutes. In addition to the new scholarships, 50 were renewed.

For the 2014-15 academic year, Bishop Daily Vocations Scholarships went to ten U.S. and two Canadian seminarians enrolled in nine major schools of theology. The seminarians are studying for eight U.S. dioceses and two Canadian dioceses. In addition to the new scholarships, 14 were renewed.

Earnings of the Father Michael J. McGivney Vocations Scholarship Fund and Bishop Thomas V. Daily Vocations Scholarship Fund provide scholarships to men in the first four years of theology studying for the Catholic priesthood.

An applicant with appropriate ecclesiastical approval, having been accepted at a major seminary, and studying for an (arch) diocese or religious institute in the United States, its territories, or Canada, is eligible. Preference is given, although not exclusively, to applicants who are members of the Knights of Columbus or whose fathers are members.

Each scholarship of \$2,500 is for tuition, room and board. Once awarded, the scholarship is renewable each succeeding year up to a maximum of four years upon certification of continuing enrollment. The scholarship is not available during any year of pastoral internship.

Father McGivney Vocations Scholarships are awarded based on financial need. Bishop Daily Vocations Scholarships are awarded based on academic merit.

Scholarship applications are available after February 1st and completed applications with supporting documents must be received by June 1st.

Mail to: Department of Scholarships
Knights of Columbus
1 Columbus Plaza
New Haven, CT 06510-3326

A Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, bless Your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters.

Give those You have called to the married state and those You have chosen to live as single persons in the world the special graces that their lives require.

Form us all in the likeness of Your Son so that in Him, with Him and through Him we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary we ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Membership

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practical (that is, practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See. This means that an applicant or member accepts the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspires to live in accord with the precepts of the Catholic Church, and is in good standing in the Catholic Church. If you are interested in joining the Knights to further live out your faith as a Catholic man contact us at the following:

Grand Knight – Tony Ozella
120 Walnut Street
PO Box 263
Washington, Illinois, 61571
grandknight@kofc6707.org
309-444-9367

Fundraising

There are a variety of ways that the Knights raise money to support our charities.

- Monthly Fish Fry's
- Annual Collection for the Intellectually Disabled (AKA Tootsie Roll Collection)
- Occasional Pork Chop Sales (Summer)
- Hall Rentals

One of the many ways you as a fellow Knight can help is to volunteer for one of these events.



Fish Fry Schedule....

All Friday's During Lent - Beginning February 20th (5pm – 7pm)

Friday April 15th (5pm - 7pm)

Friday May 20th (5pm – 7pm)

Insurance

Knights of Columbus Insurance

Since our founding in 1882, the primary mission of the Knights of Columbus has been to protect families from the financial ruin caused by the death of the breadwinner. In the beginning, Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney and his fellow Knights “passed the hat” to benefit widows and orphans. From that humble start, the Order has grown to include top-rated life insurance, long-term care insurance and retirement products. With more than \$90 billion of insurance in force and a full-time field force of more than 1,400 serving our members and their families, we are proudly fulfilling Fr. McGivney’s vision. To learn more about insurance or our products, please visit The Knights of Columbus National Web Site For More Detailed Information <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/insurance/index.html>

Why Choose Us?

We are strong! The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal benefit society that is strong, secure and stable. Members can be confident that we’ll be here when you need us. We’ve been successfully protecting families since 1882, and our outlook remains bright. Don’t just take our word for it. There is no more highly rated insurer in North America than the Knights of Columbus. A.M. Best has bestowed on us their highest rating (A++, Superior) for 38 consecutive years.

Remember, in 2012, the Knights of Columbus gave more than \$158 million to Catholic and other charitable causes and Knights volunteered more than \$70 million hours of their time to charitable causes. In these uncertain times, find comfort in an organization that leads the way in doing good for others while doing good for our own.

We are secure

Since 1882, we have been committed to protecting the financial futures of our Knights and their families. We do this by paying claims and dividends to our insured members. In 2010, we paid well over \$442 million in death claims and other benefits, and more than \$322 million in dividends to our policyholders. Even more impressive is the fact that in the past decade, the Knights of Columbus paid more than \$3.2 billion in dividends to insured members.

We are stable

Prudent leadership and management have led to the rapid growth of our assets, providing an adequate foundation for our member's protection, and securing our obligations to our insured and their beneficiaries. Also, because we are a fraternal benefit society, we have no stockholders. Our owners are our members and we return our good fortune in the form of dividends to our policyholders.

Insurance Products

PERMANENT PLANS

Do you need life insurance that lasts as long as you live? Our permanent plans are your best option.

TERM PLANS

Are your life insurance needs temporary? Many people's needs are, indeed, temporary - even though they may be of long duration.

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Dave Liptak (309) 445-0154

Email - David.liptak@kofc.org

Columbus Club News

Hall rentals are available. Contact Tony Ozella to secure a rental date. (309) 444-9367

Prayers

Dear brothers please pray for the following people....

Please remember our following Members and Families in your prayers: Mike McSweeney, Joe & Barb Crumrine, George Reidel, Walt Carey, Tina Otten and Jacquie Hurd.

Anyone in need of prayers - Email info@kofc6707.org.

Knights of Columbus Prayer

O Almighty and Eternal God, Lord of the Universe, sustain us; we beseech Thee, o'er the course of "life's tempestuous sea." Keep us, we pray Thee, secure within the Bark of Peter, ever trustful of Christ and His Vicars to guide us along the ways of peace and prosperity. May Jesus, Our Savior, preserve us in the unity of the Holy Faith and confirm our hopes of sharing its treasures with America. Send forth the power and love of the Holy Spirit, that we may be blessed in our efforts to set forth Thy glory in this land under the patronage of Mary's Immaculate Conception. Let our Fraternity flourish in justice and charity and give eternal praise and glory to the Most Holy Trinity. Be mindful of each of our brothers, departed, and receive them into the heaven of eternal peace.

Amen.

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Did You Know...

The Knights of Columbus has been called "the strong right arm of the Church," and has been praised by popes, presidents and other world leaders, for support of the Church, programs of evangelization and Catholic education, civic involvement and aid to those in need.

"On this occasion I also wish to express my gratitude for the unfailing support which your Order has always given to the works of the Holy See,"

Pope Francis (October 10th 2013)

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