

# **Knights of Columbus**

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Jan 2, Thursday, 7:30 PM Business Meeting, Thursday

## Jan 6, Monday, 7:30 PM

BCS National Championship game - see Chancellor's report for details.

#### Jan 16, Thursday

No social meeting - see Jan 23 (date changed) - see Warden's report.

# Jan 18, Saturday, 6:00 PM Past Grand Knight Dinner

Join us for this event which will honor our immediate Past Grand Knight Ken Kudla. Our evening will start at 6:00 PM with cocktails and appetizers, dinner at 7:00 pm with our formal program at 8:00 pm. Randy Baker has agreed to make "A Red Buttons tribute to Ken". Our District Deputy, Jim Killigrew, will recap his accomplishments in 2012-2013. All Past Grand Knights prior to Ken will be recognized by Mike McMahon.

Cost is \$20 per person. The bar will be well stocked and drinks will be available for purchase. We will also be entertained by the Music of Jack Cimo who is a Classical Guitarist.

Please RSVP to Mike McMahon at 847-391-5073 or email: <u>mikemcmahon@wowway.com</u> by Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup>. Make Your Check Payable to: Holy Rosary Council 4483. The cutoff date is firm . . . no reservations will be accepted at the door.

Everyone in the Council including spouses, friends and neighbors are welcomed to this event. As of the date of this newsletter we have had an excellent response.... so, don't be left out in the cold on January 18.

#### Jan 20, Monday, 4:30 PM - Free Throw Contest

The Knights of Columbus invites all girls and boys, ages 9 through 14, to participate in the Council level of competition for 2014 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship on Monday, January 20, 2014, at St. Emily's Gym, 1400 E. Central Road, Mount Prospect. Registration starts at 4:30 pm; the competition starts at 5:00 pm.

The Knights of Columbus sponsors the Free Throw Championship annually, with winners progressing through Council, District, and State competitions. Last year more than 180,000 sharpshooters participated in over 3,000 Council competitions.

All contestants on the local level will receive certificates for their participation in the event. Champions receive trophies for their respective age division. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent.

For entry forms or additional information contact:

St. James School & Parish Jerry Oskroba oskroba.connect@gmail.com 847-394-2669

St. Colette School & Parish Tony Polenzani tpolen613@gmail.com 847-812-3541

St. Edna Parish Tony Polenzani tpolen613@gmail.com 847-812-3541

Our Lady of the Wayside School & Parish Chris Rezny CHRISREZNY@YAHOO.COM 847-342-1951

Feeder Programs at Rolling Meadows, Mount Prospect or Hersey H.S

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St. Viator's, Buffalo Grove or Mount Prospect H.S. Matt McLaughlin mattmclaughlin2@comcast.net 847-465-0673

Rolling Meadows H.S. Chris Rezny CHRISREZNY@YAHOO.COM 847-342-1951

Due to IHSA by-laws, any 14 year-old in Illinois High School Association Basketball (a member of their high school basketball team) is ineligible to participate in our Free-Throw Championship

#### Jan 23, Thursday, 7:30 PM - Open House - Brian Marier, Warden.

We will be having as a special guest speaker Fr. Brian Simpson of St. Colette Parish. A former military Chaplin, Fr. Brian will have many stories to share with us. This is also an open house recruiting event. Tables will be set up highlighting the various activities of our council. This is good opportunity for us to show what the Knights of Columbus has to offer Catholic men and their families. **Committee Chairs**, please let me know if you or a representative of your group will be setting up a display and what we can do to help you make this a successful event. I can be reached at <a href="mailto:bemarier@att.net">bemarier@att.net</a>

## Jan 26, Sunday, Major Degree. Candidate Registration starts at 11:00 AM - Brian Marier, Warden

We will host a Major Degree this date at the hall. This will be an exemplification of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees. I ask each member to reach out and recruit someone for this great annual event. We will be also reaching out to invite and encourage all of our members that have not taken their 2nd and 3rd degrees to participate in these ceremonies. Please be sure to stop by the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Assembly table at the open house in January to check out joining the 4th Degree in May. There is no longer a waiting period between taking your 1st and 4th degree.

#### New Members - Welcomed by Brian Marier, Warden

Please welcome our three new members that took their 1st degree at the December 5<sup>th</sup> business meeting. Michael Costantini of St Edna Parish, Mark Grabowski of St. Thomas Parish and Joseph Bolsinger of St Edna Parish. We also had one member that reapplied for membership, Dominick McNicholas, father of Mike McNicholas.

A big Thank You to our Degree Team, who did a fantastic job as always, making this a special night for our new members.

# Other Events at Hall (listed alphabetically)

Building Corp Meeting, Monday, January 27, 7:15 PM Charity Meeting, January 30, 7:00 PM Officer's Meeting, Thursday, January 30, 7:30 PM Prolife Rosary, Wednesday, January 15, 7:30 PM Seton Assembly Meeting, January 21, 7:30 PM Squires Meeting, Tuesday, January 7, 6:30 PM Sword & Baldric Meeting, January 9, 7:30 PM

#### Other Events Not at the Hall in January

Produce Mobile, Thursday, January 9, 9:30 to 11:30 AM, Holy Family Parish, Inverness

Northwest Families March for Life: January 18, 2014 -Palatine, IL Contact Bob Fallon <a href="mailto:bobf@sunscopeusa.com">bobf@sunscopeusa.com</a>

Holy Family Council in Palatine for more information

## Deputy Grand Knight Report Michael McNicholas

O' Brother Knight, Where Art Thou?

Holy Rosary has approximately 450 members. Only 45-55 attend Business Meetings on a regular basis. We realize that some members work, others cannot drive at night, and some cannot attend due to their health. Remember, what you put into it is what you get out of it.

#### **Retention Committee**

Dues notices for 2014 will be mailed in January. Please submit your dues to the Financial Secretary as soon as possible. The Council has to submit the per capita to both Supreme and to State. If you wish to drop your membership, please indicate that on the dues notice by typing or printing your notice to withdraw from the Knights, date it, print and sign your name. Return your notice to the Financial Secretary. Thank You.

#### **CHARITY COMMITTEE**: - General Guidelines

- 1. Be reasonable in your requests. Requesting an amount and adding "or any amount" or "any amount you want" are starting to cause problems. We have limited funds.
- 2. Events that have already occurred will not be considered.
- 3. State and/or Supreme may request funds for natural disasters. These should be given priority over donations to other organizations for the same disaster. We know that 100% of what is given to State and/or Supreme is properly allocated. Lastly, no anonymous requests.

Approved donation for a non-profit organization was:

1. Our Lady of the Wayside \$150.00

To offset the cost of a display in the vestibule for Lighthouse Christian Publishing. This display will permit Parishioners to browse a display and take the various publications for a free-will donation.

Approved donations for other organizations/individuals were:

1. Illinois State Council Knights of Columbus \$300.00

These funds will be used to assist the people in Illinois who were affected by the tornadoes that went through East Peoria, Pekin, and Washington, IL.

2. Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. \$200.00

These funds will be sent to Supreme to aid the people of the Philippines, (a heavily Catholic Country with K of C Councils) who are suffering from Typhoon Haiyan.

3. Boy Scout Eagle Project Chris Beiersdorf (Troop 166) \$100.00

Site location: St. Josephs Nursing Home in Palatine, IL

Run by Little Sisters of the Poor

Project: Replace on old asphalt path with a new hot asphalt path so that residents may enjoy a pond setting and view sunsets. Also, plants will be replaced along with stone and brick around a statue of Jesus on the grounds. Check is to be made payable to Boy Scout Troop #166.

## Approved for Respect Life

Holy Family Council of the Knights of Columbus \$120.00
 This donation will support the Palatine Respect Life March to be held in January.

# Bulletin Board By the Bar

This board is used to advertise business or services provided by members of Holy Rosary Council, the Ladies Auxiliary, Sword & Baldric Club and the Seton Assembly. All business cards placed on the board should be approved by the Deputy Grand Knight in advance.

Helene, Ellen, Michael, Christine, and myself wish each of you a Happy and Prosperous New Year in 2014! Michael McNicholas, Deputy Grand Knight.

# Chancellor Report, Ray Cordell

Brother Knights, HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!!!!

January 2014 is a very busy month for Knights and friends of 4483. We begin the month with the BCS National Championship game on Monday, January 6, 2014. The Florida State Seminoles take on the Auburn Tigers at 7:30pm and for \$5.00, you get pop, beer, snacks fraternal camaraderie (and maybe even some pizza).

Please mark your calendar for the Past Grand Knights Dinner on January 18. This annual event is open to ALL members of the Holy Rosary family, and honors the men that have dedicated their time, effort and leadership to make our council successful. Come on out and enjoy an evening of good food, friendship and tribute for our guest of honor, PGK Ken Kudla.

We are pleased and honored to have Fr. Brian Simpson from St. Colette as our social night speaker on January 23. Fr. Simpson's experience as a military chaplain makes him an outstanding speaker and example for all members and guests who attend this social meeting presentation

Thank you for your encouragement and support in 2013 and we look forward to seeing you often in 2014.

Fraternally yours, Chancellor Ray Cordell

## Chaplin Report - Deacon Joe Yannotta Link to Joseph

A happy, safe and healthy New Year to all my brother Knights and your families, this has certainly been quite a year for all of us, both locally and around the world. It would be impossible to list all of the life changing events of this year because we have seen the complete array of the <u>Good</u>, the <u>bad</u> and the <u>ugly</u>.

The *Good* in the election our Holy Father Pope Francis and, the revitalization and energy he continues to provide for our mother the church and each of us as Catholics. The *Bad*, in such tragic moments as the Boston Marathon bombing and the continued senseless violence and shootings in our schools and on our streets and the *Ugly*, as seen in the horrific storms and accidents that result in the devastation of entire cities and the untimely loss of human life.

But throughout all of this we share a common bond. The belief that the events of this life, both good and bad, are nothing in comparison to the life promised to us in Christ Jesus. Joy, laughter, sorrow and grief are just passing moments in our earthly journey as we read from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians, "So we are always courageous, although we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight."

And so let us looking with joyful anticipation towards the coming year and continue our good works both as Knights and Catholic gentlemen.

Peace and Grace to all, Deacon Joseph Yannotta

#### <u>Lucky Bucks winners in December were:</u>

Bill Schroeder, Tom Loch & Michael Ferreter 2014 tickets have been mailed. For additional tickets, contact Joe Kramer <a href="Michael Erreter">JKramer001@aol.com</a>

# **CLEARBROOK RECAP** Submitted by Al Vermiglio

The Gala 2013 Clearbrook Christmas Dinner Dance was held on December 6th. The event was a success due to the work of the many volunteers who helped by preparing the food, greeting our guests, serving them food and drinks, and participating in the singing and dancing. A special remembrance ceremony was held for Brother John Bauer, who was

called home by the Lord last June. John was a driving force in organizing and leading the Clearbrook Dinner Dance program for over 20 years. The ceremony was originally held at the Fall Dinner Dance; however, many of John's friends were not able to attend the Fall Dance, so it was repeated.

Thanks to all the Knights, Ladies Auxiliary, friends and students who were kind enough to help out. We had 40 student volunteers from St. Viator, Hersey, Carmel and Prospect High Schools, St. James Christian Ministry, Saint Colette, and St. Edna. Two volunteers came all the way from Huntley, Illinois, and another from way up at the North Pole.

Our Dinner Dances are well received and appreciated by our guests; but those effects are not limited, just, to our guests. Our volunteers: the Knights, Ladies Auxiliary Members, nonmember adults, and students; are all affected by their service at our Clearbrook Dinner Dances. No better example of these effects can be described than an E-mail that was received from a mother of one of our student volunteers.

"...I just picked Lili up and wanted you to know she had a fabulous time. She was absolutely glowing when she got in the car. For a teenager who generally answers direct questions only in the car while texting on her phone...it was an awesome ride home for me also. She talked nonstop about the evening and how precious all the guests were.

She went on and on about the people she danced with and how their faces were just beaming (Lili's words not mine.) She absolutely wants to attend this event next year. She is also excited to participate in any other similar events. Lili is not currently part of the Teen Ministry but please let us know when something like this arises in the future. ... Thanks again for letting us know about this, it was definitely a terrific experience for Lili that warmed her heart, made her happy, and that she will not soon forget."

Thanks and congratulations to each volunteer for your service, the next Clearbrook Dinner Dance will be held on Friday, May 2nd. Mark your calendars and plan to volunteer.

# Let's Keep In Our Prayers



Tony Sulla	Ray Check	Pat Hansen
Marilyn Dockus	Joe Elsey	Bob Gaudio
Don Hecht	Paul Schmidt	Fred Sharkey
Family of Jim Stearns	Bill Reinert	Cathy Morrow
Tom Lazzara	Carolyn Zitkus	Tom Durand

Please pray for the thousands of innocent babies who will be killed in the US, this month, by abortions, for our United States Military troops in harm's way, the victims of natural disasters, peace and all deceased Knights and their families.

# TO BE ADDED OR DELETED FROM PRAYER LIST Contact Brother Deacon Joseph at jyannotta@comcast.net Or Our Church Director

Brother Tarry Hospkins at hoskinstt@att.net

#### Brothers, Ladies & Other Readers of this newsletter,

Happy New Year and best wishes from the Council Officers to each of you and your families! So what are your new year's resolutions? We hope one of them is to spend more time with families and friends. What could be better!

This month on January 18 we will honor Ken Kudla and the other men who have served our council over the past years at our Past Grand Knight Dinner. This event is open to everyone. Plan on attending. See inside our newsletter for full details.

On January 23, we will have an "Open House" to welcome all prospective men who might be interested in joining the Knights. (This is in lieu of our regular social meeting normally held on the third Thursday of the month.) This event is open to everyone and we especially encourage your wife to join us.

On Sunday, January 26 we will have our "Major Degree" This will be an excellent opportunity for current 1st degree Knights to make their 2nd & 3rd Degrees. There is no cost to Council members and an excellent meal is provided at the end of the day. A gentleman's reminder, this is a men's only event.

Vivat Jesus, Mike McMahon, Grand Knight