## Highland Council 1580





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#### **Upcoming Events**

Drive-Thru Fish Fry Ash Wednesday and Fridays

Exemplification March 13

Day of Prayer at Granite City Clinic March 17

Bingo Every Wednesday

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### **GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE: MARCH 2022**

I am very blessed to have many Knights who have stepped forward to lead recent events held by our council.

Our Spelling Bee was a well planned and well organized event. Thank you to John Genteman and his wife Nancy, who hosted 38 participants from the local schools. The parents and children enjoyed the competition and were very appreciative to our Council for hosting this event.

Our free throw contest was held in February at the St. Paul gym with 15 competitors. Thank you to Jacob Rose, Eric Kukowski and a group of Brother Knights who organized and lead this competition. Our Council sponsored a Bowl for Charity event on Sunday February 20th where 22 teams bowled to raise money in support of our seminarians. Thank you to Kent Korte, Mike Carroll and Dan Kapp for organizing this event.

We held a very successful drive-thru chicken dinner on January 23rd where we served almost 600 meals. Thank you to all helped fry, prepare & distribute the meals for this annual fundraiser.

Our Fish Fry's will also be drive-thru, starting on Ash Wednesday and every Friday through Lent. Please volunteer to help at our Fish Fry's or come purchase a fried cod, baked cod or shrimp dinner.

Our council is holding an "exemplification" on Sunday March 13th at St. Paul Church to start shortly after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. If you know of a Catholic gentleman 18 years or older, please encourage them to become a knight. There are many middle aged and older gentlemen of our parish who do not belong to the Knights. Maybe with a little encouragement from a friend they might commit to joining our council. We have chosen March 17th as the Councils' day

for prayer at the Granite City Clinic. Please contact Lowell Wellen if you wish to participate in this event.

To sum this all up.... we are a very active Council and with the leadership and participation of all my Brother Knights we will continue to be successful. Thank You to all! In closing: please include in our prayers the unborn, those who are sick, those who are terminally ill, and those who have passed away. May God show his loving mercy unto them!

Peace be with You! Wayne O. Henze



ICON: Fourth Degree Knights, Jim Hickman (Left) and Paul Finkes (Right) stand vigil beside the blessed icon of St. Joseph. The design of the icon by Elizabeth Bergeron based on a drawing by Alexander Sobolev. Photo by Jacob Rose

March 2022

# SENIOR KNIGHT OF THE MONTH, KNIGHT OF THE MONTH, AND FAMILY OF THE MONTH AWARDS

# SENIOR KNIGHT OF THE MONTH:

Our Brother Knight has been a Knight for 18 years. He is a member of St. Paul Catholic Church where he is an Eucharistic Minister. He has been very active in our Drive-Thru dinners waiting on cars; especially ones with young children in them. He always has a dollar coin "which he don't know what to do with" When the family leaves they have the dinners they ordered and the children have a dollar to put in their piggy bank. It is with great appreciation that we honor as Senior Knight of the Month for February 2022, Paul Finkes! Congratulations from the Highland Knights of Columbus Council # 1580!

#### **KNIGHT OF THE MONTH:** Our brother Knight has been a Knight for 13 years. He is a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Livingston. He has participated in many of our Drive-Thru dinners waiting on our customers at their cars. He

has been a great help at the Route 4 and 143 intersection Tootsie Roll drive. It is with great appreciation, that we honor as Knight of the Month for February 2022, Jack Landolt! Congratulations from the Highland Knights of Columbus Council # 1580!

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**FAMILY OF THE MONTH:** Our Brother Knight has been a Knight for 43 years. He and his lady have been very active in the Kirchenfest for the past thirty years. He drove the Faith Countryside bus bringing the residents to Mass and back. His lady is the vice president of the ladies auxiliary and works in the Queen of Hearts kitchen frequently. He has been very active working in the kitchen at our dinners. It is with great appreciation that we honor as Family of the Month for February 2022, Mike and Patty Noe! Congratulations from the Highland Knights of Columbus Council # 1580!



### **COLUMBUS CLUB: TONY HEMANN, PRESIDENT**

#### Hello all,

I don't think I have a whole lot to cover this month, but I'll try to mention a couple things:

I'll highlight again that we have set up with the Council a pass-thru account with Highland Community Foundation --- this is great for anyone who wants to make a tax-deductible contribution, or get matching funds from an employer perhaps in order to improve our facilities..

The automatic doors have been installed but on a temporary electrical solution (our Grand Knight leading the charge, no pun intended); still getting bids for redoing the wiring.

The awning soffit still needs repairing; awaiting resolution with the insurance company of the liable party. Things seem to be slowing down inside the hall a bit -- the Queen of Hearts (QoH) went out recently, so Thursday nights have now opened up for a bit.

I'm sure that the Grand Knight would appreciate any new fundraising ideas (as well as a volunteer to head it up)!

In March, the Relevant Pregnancy Options Center Banquet, Wild Turkey Federation, Greenville Cheerleaders and possibly Ducks Unlimited are on the calendar.

On April 9, the Alpha Gym is hosting a Boxing "Main Event" to support police and firefighters and their families. I'm sure that all event organizers would welcome any/all support for their fundraising efforts. The only other booked April event is the Highland HS Prom, and all dates in May are open. This means that revenue (needed to pay the bills) is going to be down for those months -- but if you or someone you know wants a place to have an event -- it is wide open for booking!

Hopefully, Spring will be a semi-permanent feature soon! We have a bunch of work on the ball fields to get them ready for the bookings (and recent weather has delayed some of that work). Please contact me or Mike Spies if you have improvement ideas or you can lend a hand -- I am at (618) 410--2526 or Mike Spies at (618) 444-3483.

Want a great place to advertise?

We have professionally produced vinyl signs we'll hang on either side of the ballfield fences (facing the roads or facing ball field and fans).

We hang them in early Spring and take them down in late Fall (we put them away to prevent damage and wear and tear).

We get the signs produced by Foppe Visual Communications and here are the prices:

- 4x8 foot sign \$500 for 1 "ball year"; \$300 per year after
- 4x4 foot sign \$400 for 1 year; \$250 per year after

It is expected that the banners will last up to 3 years before requiring replacement.

If you or anyone you know wants to advertise on the ballfield fences you can contact me or Craig Wieseman (at (618) 447-3975) for details.

Thanks, all the best and God Bless, Tony

## LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS: KATHY LOHMAN, SECRETARY

As we enter into this year's liturgical season of Lent, we might reflect on how this year our Lent will be different from our Lents of years past. What will we do differently this year to make it an even more fruitful time in our spiritual life? What habits can we begin to help us grow closer in our relationship with Christ? How can we make it more penitential or more meaningful?

Perhaps we will begin with thinking about what we can give up or what we can do for Lent this year. But here's an alternative suggestion. Maybe we could try "slowing down". Maybe we could try listening instead of just hearing. Someone once told me that we can hear quickly but we can only really listen slowly. Hearing happens accidentally but real listening is truly intentional.

Maybe we could focus on the Gospel readings for each Sunday during Lent. Instead of hearing them the first time at Sunday Mass, why not read them once or twice ahead of time so we are familiar with the words before hearing them proclaimed on Sunday. A hurried hearing of the Gospel may not allow enough time for us to hear the voice of the Holv Spirit. But if we take the time to read the Gospels on our own before Sunday, we can listen slowly and intentionally to hear what the Holy Spirit may be saying to us.

It's easy to get into a "rules" mentality during Lent, trying to check off all the boxes of fasting and prayer and giving alms; but Jesus is looking more for our sacrifices to come from our hearts and not from obligation. Our Lenten sacrifices help us to love Jesus more and may inspire us to want to continue these practices even when Lent is over. These are sacrifices from the heart.

So let us strive to have a "slow Lent" this year where we take the time to encounter Jesus in Scripture and in others. Let's take the time to intentionally listen to those speaking to us. When Easter comes around, we may find we haven't given up anything for Lent but actually have received so much more in our deepening relationship with Jesus. The Queen of Hearts has been found and the ladies will take a temporary break from kitchen duty on Thursdays but we thank the Knights for giving us this opportunity to earn some cash for the auxiliary. Our March meeting was actually held on the last Monday of February so our next meeting will be April 5th at 7:00 pm at the KC Hall. Hope to see you there!



## **NEWS FROM THE FOURTH DEGREE**

My fellow Sir Knights and Brother Knights, please allow me to take this opportunity to remind you of an upcoming 4th Degree Exemplification of the Patriotic Degree being held on March 5th, 2022, in Edwardsville. There is a Mass at 5:00 PM at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 1802 Madison Ave., Edwardsville. Following the Mass, light refreshments will be served at the Edwardsville Knights of Columbus Hall, 7132 Marine Road from 6:15pm - 7:00pm. During that time registration will take place and the Exemplification will begin promptly at 7:00 pm. Please contact me any time before this date at the number listed below if you are interested in joining the 4th Degree Assembly 231.

Also, I would like to mention to all current members of Highland Assembly 231 that our next meeting is March 7th at 7:00 PM. At this meeting we will be

discussing and voting on the proposal to which I was referring at last months meeting. Specifically, I presented a proposal to our Assembly members detailing a 4th Degree program aimed at increasing our membership in the Color Corps / Honor Guard. Our Honor Guard has been doing an excellent job in supporting churches, respective our communities' activities and remembering our deceased Sir Knights. This proposal mentions that our complete Honor Guard does not have the current required uniform and is offering an initial \$1,000 donation to set up a fund to provide stipends in the amount of \$200 to each Honor Guard member wishing to purchase the new uniform and regalia. Additionally, the proposal would like to see an ongoing annual commitment to perpetuate the program through fund raising activities from the 4th Degree Assembly 231. I look forward to this exciting discussion!

I would also like to thank the 4 Sir Knights who participated in the St. Joseph Prayer Program at Immaculate Conception Church in Pierron on February 20th. Sir Knights participating were Commander Ed Campbell, Sir Knight Paul Finkes, Sir Knight Jim Hickman and Sir Knight Joe Whalen.

The following is a reflection from Pope Francis' apostolic letter, Patris Corde December 8, 2020, offered in the first Joyful Mystery of The Most Holy Rosary of The Blessed Virgin Mary from the St. Joseph Pilgrim Icon Prayer Program. "Often in life, things happen whose meaning we do not understand. Our first reaction is frequently one of disappointment and rebellion. Joseph set aside his own ideas in order to accept the course of events and, mysterious as they seemed, to embrace them and make

them part of his own history. Unless we are reconciled with our own history, we will be unable to take a single step forward, for we will always remain hostage to our expectations and the disappointments that follow.

To be a "Sir Knight" is more than just a title. It is an honor.

Vivat Jesus! Joe Wetmore, Faithful Navigator (618) 803-8362



# **COUNCIL HOSTED MANY EVENTS**





FREE THROW: Pictured left, participants practice shooting basketballs prior to the start of the event. Pictured right, are the winners of this years free throw.

Photos by Jacob Rose





ICON: Pictured left, Fourth Degree Knight, Joe Whalen, accompanied by Ed Campbell, change the honor guard vigil, relieving Sir Knight's Jim Hickman, and Paul Finkes. Pictured right, Grand Knight Wayne Henze reads the Catechesis of Saint John Paul II.

### **OUR CONDOLENCES**

The family of Sandy Kloss, wife of Brother Knight Bob Kloss.

The family of Margaret Steinkoenig, Wife of Brother Knight Jerry and mother a brother knight Brad.

The family of Dorothy Flaiz, wife of deceased brother knight Art Flaiz

The family of Mike Zobrist, brother of brother knight Dave Zobrist.

The family of Tom Petry, Son of deceased Brother Knight Burnell Petry.



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Sunday 27	Monday 28 7:00 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM Ladies Auxiliary 7:00 PM Council Officers 8:00 PM Columbus Club	Tuesday           1         Fat Tuesday           * Special Bingo *           Doors Open 5:00 PM           Games Start 7:00 PM           March Officer Meetings           Moved to February 28th	Wednesday           2         Ash Wednesday           * No Bingo *           KC Drive-Thru           Lenten Fish Dinner           4:00 PM - 7:00 PM           Euchre TBD	Thursday 3	Friday 4 KC Drive-Thru Lenten Fish Dinner 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM KC Blood Drive 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Saturday 5 KC Fourth Degree Exemplification Cermony After 5:00 PM Mass St. Mary's Church Edwardsville
6	7 7:00 PM Fourth Degree	8 Relevent Pregnancy Options Center Banquet Doors Open 6:00 PM No Tickets Will Be Sold Appeal for Support Given	9 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	10	11 KC Drive-Thru Lenten Fish Dinner 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM	12 Private Event
13 Daylight Saving Begins KC Council Exemplification Ceremony After 10:00 AM Mass at St. Paul Church, Highland	14 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	15 7:00 PM Council Meeting <u>Moved One Week Forward</u> <u>Due To Relevant Banquet</u> <u>March Only</u>	16 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	17 Saint Patrick's Day 40 Days for Life Vigil KC Men 7:00 AM-7:00 PM at Granite City Clinic	18 KC Drive-Thru Lenten Fish Dinner 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM	<b>19</b> Private Event
20 Start of Spring	21	22	23 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	24	25 KC Drive-Thru Lenten Fish Dinner 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM	26
27 Bishop's Dinner 11:30 AM at KC Hall After 10:00 AM Mass at St. Paul Church Highland	28 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	29	30 Bingo & Euchre Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM 40 Days for Life Vigil KC Ladies 7:00 AM-7:00 PM at Granite City Clinic			ts of Columbus URANCE Shield for life r, FIC (618) 402-2815

# **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES: JANUARY 2022**

<ul> <li>01 - David Wilmsmeyer</li> <li>01 - Dianne Hoyt</li> <li>01 - Robert Luitjohan</li> <li>02 - Daniel Jacober</li> <li>02 - Debra Drury</li> <li>02 - Justin Troxell</li> <li>03 - Agnes Wellen</li> <li>03 - Dennis Higgins</li> <li>03 - Dennis Higgins</li> <li>03 - Dennis Higgins</li> <li>03 - Donna Goestenkors</li> <li>03 - Mark Frey</li> <li>04 - Diane Boeser</li> <li>04 - Mark Stephens</li> <li>05 - Paul West</li> <li>06 - Connie Ruffini</li> <li>06 - Gary Gacevich</li> <li>06 - Jacob Troxell</li> <li>07 - Crista Decker</li> <li>07 - Linda Dunker</li> <li>07 - Severin Emig</li> <li>08 - James Campbell</li> <li>08 - Trent Gnaedinger</li> <li>08 - Trent Gnaedinger</li> <li>09 - Brian Ruffini</li> <li>09 - Patricia Kohlbrecher</li> <li>10 - Arthur Schulte</li> <li>11 - Dean Grapperhaus</li> <li>11 - Martin Klostermann</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>12 - Donald McCall</li> <li>12 - Gerald Rehkemper</li> <li>12 - Jessica Sickman</li> <li>13 - Harold Klaus</li> <li>13 - Karen Kuhl</li> <li>13 - Stanley Wessel</li> <li>14 - Jodd Korte</li> <li>15 - Jared Gilomen</li> <li>15 - Matthew Dermody</li> <li>15 - Randy Luitjohan</li> <li>15 - Steven Kloss</li> <li>16 - Debra Keeven</li> <li>16 - Dianne Voss</li> <li>16 - Fr. Samuel Bagyo</li> <li>16 - Susan Heim</li> <li>16 - Suzanne Wilke</li> <li>17 - Alan Joseph Drury</li> <li>17 - Fr. Pat Jakel</li> <li>17 - Jill Sauls</li> <li>17 - Raymond Korte</li> <li>18 - Marie Grandame</li> <li>18 - Mary Haberer</li> <li>18 - Robert Vance</li> <li>18 - Thomas Hoffmann</li> <li>19 - Debra Gomez Trost</li> <li>19 - Howard Held</li> <li>19 - Ian Kessler</li> <li>19 - Michael Gilomen</li> <li>19 - Randy Von Hatten</li> <li>19 - Rita Tebbe</li> <li>19 - Terrance Moore</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>20 - Lori Baumgartner</li> <li>21 - Barbara Kampwerth</li> <li>21 - James Stukenberg</li> <li>21 - Rick Frey</li> <li>22 - Connor Barr</li> <li>22 - Kurt Korte</li> <li>23 - Chad Klostermann</li> <li>23 - David Melosi</li> <li>23 - Julia Emig</li> <li>23 - Randy Riggs</li> <li>24 - Dee Luitjohan</li> <li>24 - James Griesbaum</li> <li>24 - Michael Haufler</li> <li>24 - William Duncan</li> <li>25 - Bobbi Wernle</li> <li>25 - Douglas Thurnau</li> <li>25 - Leonard Thole</li> <li>26 - Evan Capelle</li> <li>27 - Daniel Neier</li> <li>27 - Kathryn Comish</li> <li>27 - Mary Carroll</li> <li>28 - Jerold Winter</li> <li>28 - Michael Lengermann</li> <li>28 - Therese Dickman</li> <li>28 - Troby Gagen</li> <li>29 - Danny Mc Cloud</li> <li>29 - Scott Wick</li> <li>29 - Timothy Singler</li> <li>30 - Rosemary Rieke</li> <li>31 - Geri Johnson</li> </ul>	ANNIVERSARIES 01- Jefferey and Angela Smart 02 - John & Lynn Todt 06 - Brian & Kathryn Comish 07 - Keith & Laurie Frank 07 - Kent & Jackie Manning 13 - Phil & Diane Krydynski 14 – Daniel & Lu Ann Halloran 14 - Anthony & Susan Tebbe	15 - Mark & Donna Goestenkors 20 - Gary & Tracy Frey 20 - Austin & Shari Meyer 21 - David & Therese Korte 21 - Robert & Debra Gomez Trost 23 - Vernell & Agnes Wellen 24 - Dale & Shirley Wellen 25 - Jerold & Tina Winter
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17 Easter * CLOSED *	18 Tax Day (Taxes Due)	19	20 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	21	22 Earth Day KC State Convention Springfield, IL	23 Highland High School Prom KC State Convention Springfield, IL
24 KC State Convention Springfield, IL	25 Boy Scouts	26	27 Bingo Doors Open 5:00 PM Games Start 7:00 PM Euchre 7:00 PM	28	29 Arbor Day	30

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## FROM THE EDITORS

I can't believe that it is already March! After a February of crazy winter weather, here's hoping we get a nice start to Spring this month.

As we dive into Lent, I want to challenge you to do more than give up chocolate. Lent is a time to reflect and pray and repent. Maybe instead of giving up chocolate or soda, you can perform acts of kindness or give back to your community. Giving back could be anything from volunteering in a ministry at church or volunteering to help with a drive-thru fish fry or at Wednesday night bingo. Lent is a time for renewal, so let's renew ourselves this Lent!

Now for some notes! We are mostly an email newsletter now, so please let us know if you would rather receive the email version as opposed to the print. If your email is currently on our mailing list, but you have not received the email newsletter, check your spam folder, sometimes it likes to hide out there.

For those that like having the print edition or do not have an email address, no worries! We will be mailing print editions to you and will also have a limited number of copies available at the KC Hall.

If you haven't already, go on over to @HighlandKnightsofColumbusCouncil1580 at Facebook.com and give us a like and a follow! We're doing some fun things over there such as live-streams of the Queen of Hearts results, articles from our newsletter, and notices about our events or contributions to our community. It's a fun time over there! The Ladies Auxiliary have

a Facebook page as well. Go give them a like and follow if you haven't already. They can be found @LadiesAuxiliary-Council1580,Highland KnightsofColumbus

As usual, if you have a change of address or email, please contact the council to update their records. The council is charged for postage when the newsletter is sent back.

Please do not hesitate to email me with any questions or concerns or even ideas for articles. You can email me at editor.knighttimes@gmail. com. Our Facebook page is also a great new line of communication. We're usually pretty quick to respond!

And as always, the council's website is a

fantastic source for additional information. Please check it out at www.highlandkc.org.

Thank you for always reading!

