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**KC Donation**

The Pioneer, contributed Grand Knight Wayne Henze, Highland Knights of Columbus presents a \$1500 check to Tricia Blasdel of Relevant Pregnancy Options Center.



**Check Presentation**

During the Thanksgiving Mass Knights of Columbus Council 1580 presented a \$500 check to the two visiting seminarians to support their studies. They are Pawel Zmija (front row on left) and Stefan Kaniewski (front row on right), and are friends of Father Kosk. In the back row are Father Pat, Father Kosk and Grand Knight Wayne Henze.

**MEMO FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY**  
 Merry Christmas & Happy New Year! With the New Year, it is time to pay your 2021 dues. Please stop by the Hall and drop off your dues.  
 Regular members are \$30.00 per year,  
 Senior Members 70 years or older are \$20.00 per year,  
 Fourth Degree dues are an additional \$15.00,  
 Honorary Members pay \$10.00 per year  
 Honorary Life Members pay no dues.  
 Students 22 years old or less \$20.00 per year,  
 Military Members no dues  
 You can also mail your dues to:  
 Martin Klostermann, F.S.  
 P.O. Box 195  
 Highland, IL 62249



**Children's Coats**

The Pioneer, contributed Teresa Boudouris, of the Highland Food Pantry, accepts jackets which are donated by the Knights of Columbus Grand Knight Wayne Henze. The Knights donated 24 children's coats.

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## Anniversaries & Birthdays

### December Anniversaries

- 01 - Chris & Gina Korte
- 04 - Bradley & Sharon Obermark
- 05 - Terry & Jennie Forbes
- 06 - Russel & Dianne Kloss
- 07 - Jeremy & Jessica Sickman
- 09 - Louis & Jenet Renko
- 11 - Roger & Kathy Frey
- 16 - Chris & Angie Wernle
- 16 - Harold & Patricia Klaus
- 17 - Daniel & Jyl Wallace
- 21 - Timothy & Joyce Jacober
- 26 - Bret & Sheila Gruender
- 26 - Eugene & Jane Plocher
- 26 - Gary & Karen Feldmann
- 26 - James & Suzie Gallatin
- 26 - Leo & Carol Landmann
- 27 - Andrew & Laura Jansen
- 27 - Edward & Troby Gagen
- 27 - Paul & Linda Dunker
- 30 - Robert & Jennifer Douglas
- 31 - Joseph & Pat Galeaz

### December Birthdays

- 01 - Brad Kuhl
- 01 - Brian Gnaedinger
- 01 - Jerry Prusa
- 01 - Judy Shannon
- 01 - Miles Claire
- 02 - James Kampwerth
- 02 - Louis Renko
- 03 - Melanie Thole
- 03 - Timothy McGinley
- 04 - Glenn Hoyt Jr
- 04 - Joseph Galeaz
- 04 - Karen Accornero
- 04 - Richard Tscherny
- 04 - Timothy Schuette
- 05 - Jane Plocher
- 05 - Roger Frey
- 05 - Suzie Gallatin
- 06 - Terry Snyder
- 07 - Angi Scott
- 07 - Arthur Timmermann
- 07 - Darlene Timmermann
- 07 - Donna Budde
- 07 - Duane Frey
- 07 - Judith Zeisset
- 07 - Kristen Hickey
- 08 - Jacqueline Seger
- 08 - Max Rudolph
- 09 - Eugene Huck
- 09 - Gina Korte
- 09 - Jennifer Douglas

- 09 - Robert Schwarz
- 09 - Roscoe Ammann
- 10 - Donald Schmitz
- 10 - Sharon Schriewer
- 11 - Chad Plocher
- 11 - Stephen Ferguson
- 12 - Bernadette Voss
- 12 - Steven W Gruner
- 13 - Craig Wieseman
- 13 - Franci Boeser
- 13 - Melvin Walter
- 14 - Edward Fischer
- 14 - Janey Miller
- 15 - Danny Kloss
- 15 - Lauren Eilers
- 16 - Paul Finkes Jr
- 17 - Jean Weber
- 17 - Nina Burcham
- 18 - Chris Martz
- 18 - Eugene Bruggemann
- 18 - Rick Kurwicki
- 18 - Terry Zobrist
- 19 - Edwin Haselhorst
- 19 - Jan Abbott
- 19 - Robert Drda
- 20 - Brian Ramsey
- 20 - Franklin Eilerman
- 20 - Jeffrey Goestenkors
- 20 - Keith Koch
- 21 - Kelly Verfurth
- 22 - Paula Rehkemper
- 23 - Derek Burns
- 23 - Gaye Michael
- 23 - Virgil Wilhelm
- 24 - Cortney Klostermann
- 24 - Denise Wellen
- 24 - Joseph Reidelberger
- 24 - Kerry Becker
- 25 - Bambi Kurwicki
- 25 - Jeffrey Gall
- 25 - Marge Holshouser
- 25 - Molly Barr
- 26 - Daniel Grandame
- 26 - Jack Landolt
- 26 - Louise Hemann
- 26 - Pam Higgins
- 26 - Robert Hammer
- 28 - Aaron Poehling
- 28 - Carol Rakers
- 28 - Jeffrey Dubach
- 28 - Maggie Abendroth
- 28 - Robert Kloss
- 29 - Brent Hustedde
- 29 - Roger Landmann
- 30 - Connie Sanvi
- 30 - Dianne Twyford
- 30 - Leatha Apken
- 30 - Melvin Long
- 30 - Nick Keeven
- 30 - Thomas Zobrist
- 31 - Susan Buchmiller

# Monthly Knights of Columbus Awards

### Knight of the Month

Our Brother Knight has been a Knight for 42 years.

He helps make our dinners successful by helping at our sausage and chicken dinners. Recently he made our drive-thru sausage dinner a great success by making the mashed potatoes and gravy and kept ahead of the great demand.

He and his wife Diane also work the bingo kitchen cooking hamburgers, hot dogs and popcorn for the players.

It is with great appreciation that we honor as Knight of the month for November 2020, our Brother Knight Rich Boeser.

Congratulations from the Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580!

### Senior Knight of the Month

Our Brother Knight has been a Knight for 51 years. He is a consistent worker at all of our Fish Fries, Chicken and Sausage Dinners.

He is always willing to help! He lead the fryer crew during our recent drive-thru sausage dinner.

He is a member of the Knight Time singers and plays the train whistle.

His skill on the train whistle is envied by all.

It is with great appreciation that we honor as Senior Knight of the month for November 2020, our Brother Knight Eugene "Gene" Brueggemann.

Congratulations from the Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580!

### Family of the Month

Our Family of the month is very busy with our parish and serving our council.

Our Brother Knight has been a Knight for 20 years.

He was very instrumental in directing traffic at our last two drive-thru events and quickening our delivery to our customers.

He and his lady have worked Fish fries and dinners in the past.

His lady is a frequent cantor at St Paul and is a member of the adult choir.

It is with great appreciation that we honor as our Family of the month for November 2020 Brad and Janeice White.

Congratulations from the Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580!

## Ladies Auxiliary News

This month there will most probably be many gifts given or exchanged at family gatherings and among friends



*Kathy Lohman  
Ladies Auxiliary Secretary*

or maybe even delivered by mail to those we cannot be with this holiday season. Usually a lot of thought is put into choosing the right gift for each person, but even if the gift may miss the mark of being perfect, it is the thought that counts more than the gift itself. We would like the recipient to remember us fondly for the gift and the affection we put into it.

There are many ways of gift giving other than the material gifts as well. Recently we celebrated Veterans' Day remembering all those courageous men and women in the military who offer their lives as gifts. We remember first responders, firefighters and police officers who often offer their lives as they protect and serve. We give thanks for all medical personnel who continue to provide care under challenging circumstances as well as all workers striving to keep us provided with what we need. We also remember all who are using their gifts to solve problems that the Covid virus has caused, devising new ways of doing things or new equipment, working on a vaccine.

As hard as it is to be apart from loved ones, that might be

our gift to them as well to protect them at this time.

Think of when you put aside your preferences and think first of your spouse, your family, your friends and their needs. The prayers you say for them; the times you bite your tongue; the times you change your plans to accommodate theirs; the times you forgive--these are all gifts as well.

There are so many varied ways of gift giving. All of them require some level of sacrifice (sometimes it's a sacrifice to shop!)

But when we give with a

spirit of love, we receive so much more in return and when God sees us giving from our hearts, it fills Him with joy and He lavishes us with His grace!

The Rock & Roll Bingo has been rescheduled to Friday, April 23, 2021. There will be NO meeting or Christmas party in December. Our next meeting will be January 5th, 2021 at 7 pm at the KC Hall, wearing masks and social distancing! May you all enjoy a blessed Christmas filled with Christ's peace and hope.

## Hats Off

### Knight of the Month

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Congratulations from the Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580!

### Senior Knight of the Month

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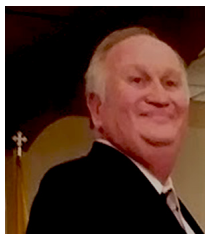
### Family of the Month

Hats Off! It is with great appreciation that we honor as our Family of the month for November 2020 Brad and Janeice White.





### Grand Knight Message for December



Wayne Henze  
Grand Knight

I trust that my Brother Knights and families had a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

The Year 2020 has been a challenging year for all of us, with uncertainty, unrest and distrust in our government over pandemic regulations.

It's been a tough year and we've made difficult decisions such as canceling the Memorial Mass until a future date and postponing the drive-thru chicken dinner until December 13 (pending pandemic restrictions at that time). I thank all my fellow officers for their input and support during these difficult times. My utmost concern has always been for the safety and health of my brother Knights and guests who attend our functions.

St. Paul Church will be using our hall to celebrate Mass on Christmas eve at 4:15 and 6:15 p.m.

They will be having Mass at St. Paul church at 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. and when they reach allotted capacity at St. Paul; worshipers will be directed to our hall where a second priest will celebrate mass.

I ask that my brother Knights will volunteer to serve as hospitality and Eucharistic ministers during these two masses. We will have to observe all safety precautions and social distancing as we do at St. Paul. I will have a sign-up sheet at the council meeting on December 8 or please call me to volunteer.

As the Christmas season approaches, I've noticed outdoor displays featuring inspirational words as the centerpiece of each display. The words "Believe, Love, Peace, and Joy are used to express the feeling of the season. Let us put them together to describe the true meaning of the season. We must "Believe" that Jesus Christ was born to teach us to "Love" one another and we will find "Peace" and "Joy" while celebrating this Holy season.

Wishing you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!  
Peace be with You!  
Wayne O. Henze

### 4th Degree News

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving during this uncertain year of 2020.

While I'm sure it was not celebrated as usual we still have a lot for which we can be thankful.

With the new guidelines rolled out by our governor, again we will cease providing Honor Guards during until we get new guidelines.



I've notified the funeral homes in Highland to this matter.

We will have a Chalice ceremony for all 4th Degree members who have passed over the period of this pandemic at a later date to be scheduled.

As we move into the holiest of time of our faith, I hope all will be thankful and prayerful and pray GOD to end this pandemic.

Please stay safe God Bless and Merry Christmas 2020

Your Faithful Navigator  
Ed Campbell



### VFW Poppies

Martin Klosterman, right, Knights of Columbus, Member of Council #1582 makes a donation to Renee McGuan and Randy Weber of VFW 5694 by buying a poppy during the annual VFW's Poppies drive. Our Knights often assist other organizations such as the VFW or the American Legion.

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### Nativity Scene

Craig Wieseman stands with the nativity scene that is now on display at the Highland Knights of Columbus Hall. The Knights spent a Saturday morning getting the hall ready for Christmas and the winter months. Thanks to Ed Geier for constructing and donating the nativity scene.

Ask a Fellow Catholic To Become a Member of the Knights of Columbus Or join the Ladies Auxiliary!

### OUR MEMBERS HONORED

Congratulations to the following Brother Knights for their long steadfast support of Highland Council 1580 of the Knights of Columbus. The Honorary Life members are recognized for the distinction of 25 years of continuous service at the age of 70 or 50 years of continuous membership regardless of age. The Honorary Member is recognized for the distinction of continuous membership for over 25 years at the age of 65. The 25-year recognition is presented for 25 years of continuous membership.

All of these members will be honored at later date.

#### AWARDS FOR DECEMBER 2020

- |                              |                         |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Honorary Life Members</b> | <b>50 Years Members</b> |
| Roscoe E. Ammann             | Herbert B Durbin Jr     |
| Edward D. Geier              | Edward D Geier          |
| Martin H. Klostermann        | James F Voss            |
| Kenneth J. Krausz            |                         |
| Dennis R. Korte              |                         |
| Eugene P. Plocher            |                         |
| Michael R. Tebbe             |                         |
| Paul K. West                 |                         |
| <b>Honorary Members</b>      | <b>25 Years Members</b> |
| Richard J. Accornero         | Jim G Gutzler           |
| Mark V. Goestenkors          | Fred E Hemann           |
| Edwin B. Haselhorst          | Tracy J Poehling        |
| Kevin J. Heim                |                         |
| Brad E. Korte                |                         |
| George E/ Marron             |                         |
| William A. Nettles           |                         |
| Robert J. Plocher            |                         |
| James E. Stukenberg          |                         |
| Lee J. Wellen                |                         |
| Alan F. Winkler              |                         |



### Highland KC Hall

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A group of dedicated Knights gathered at the Knights of Columbus hall to winterize the facility. During the pandemic shutdown, the Columbus Club has used the time wisely to repair and upgrade several aspects of the building and grounds. Inside, new lights, sound system and a new floor makes the facility even more appealing for future events and weddings. Outside, a new awning and entrance way will greet visitors and members. The grounds and pavilion have also been improved. Hat's Off to the Columbus Club and the members who have invested time and resources to make the Knights of Columbus hall a wonderful asset to the club, church and community.





**Vocations Support Award**  
 District Deputy Joe Wetmore presents the 2019 / 2020 Vocations Support Award to Deputy Grand Knight Ken Krausz. This award recognizes Highland Council 1580 for attaining all goals regarding Vocations Initiatives and Support throughout the past fraternal year.

Pioneer Photo/ Bill Napper




**Founders Award**  
 District Deputy Joe Wetmore presents the combined Columbian and Founders Awards to Past Grand Knight Kim White at the Highland Council 1580 general business meeting Tuesday evening 11/10. The Columbian Award is given to councils who meet the criteria set forth in the Faith in Action Programming Model. Specific areas include outstanding commitments to Faith, Family, Community and Life. The Founders Award recognizes a council's commitment to promoting sound financial platforms to members and their families.

Pioneer Photo/ Bill Napper



Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580  
 December 2020



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:00 PM Council Officers 8:00 PM Columbus Club	2 No Bingo	3 No Queen of Hearts	4	5
6	7 7:30 PM Fourth Degree Meeting	8 7:30 PM KC Council Meeting	9 No Bingo	10 No Queen of Hearts	11	12 Wedding
13 * Tentative * KC Drive Thru Chicken Dinner 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	14 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	15	16 No Bingo	17 No Queen of Hearts	18	19
20	21 Start of Winter (Winter Solstice)  Knight Time Singers - TBD	22	23 No Bingo	24 Christmas Eve Masses 4:00 PM Mass at Church 4:15 PM Mass at KC Hall 6:00 PM Mass at Church 6:15 PM Mass at KC Hall	25 Christmas	26
27	28 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	29	30 No Bingo	31 No Queen of Hearts	 <b>Knights of Columbus INSURANCE</b> YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE Luke Niemeyer, FICF, FSCP (618) 973-2601 Landon Schroeder, FIC (618) 402-2815	

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 New Year's Day	2
3	4 7:30 PM Fourth Degree Meeting	5 7:00 PM Ladies Auxiliary 7:00 PM Council Officers 8:00 PM Columbus Club	6 Bingo TBD	7 Queen of Hearts TBD	8	9
10	11 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	12 7:30 PM KC Council Meeting	13 Bingo TBD	14 Queen of Hearts TBD	15	16
17	18 Martin Luther King Jr.  Knight Time Singers - TBD	19	20 Inauguration Day Bingo TBD	21 Queen of Hearts TBD	22	23
24 * Tentative * KC Drive Thru Chicken Dinner 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	25 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	26	27 Bingo TBD	28 Queen of Hearts TBD	29	30
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**Remembering Our Deceased Brothers**

Our condolences to:  
 The families of Brother Sir Knights Francis "Buddy" Poettker and Rupert "Sam" Schwarzauber.  
 The families of Brother Knights Maurice Kramper and Danny Kloss.



The families of Dolores Weis, wife of brother Knight Cy Weis and Helen Gacevich, wife of brother Knight Gary Gacevich.

The family of Mary "Alice" Rehkemper, wife of deceased brother Knight Ferdinand "Fer-die" Rehkemper.

May they rest in peace.

**Ask A Fellow Catholic Gentleman To Become a Knight or a Lady To Join The Ladies Auxiliary!**