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Faith in Action

Tricia Blasdel, Executive Director of Relevant Pregnancy Options Center accepts a \$1500 check from Knights of Columbus Grand Knight, Kim White. Supporting organizations like Relevant Pregnancy Options Center is part of the Knights of Columbus' Faith in Action program.



Knights Donate

On behalf of Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580, Jim McDermott delivers a \$100 donation to Robin Black-Rubenstein, Director of Campus Ministry at SIUE and Father Rob Johnson, Chaplain at SIUE Newman Center.

Assembly 0231 Holding Valentine Dinner, Dance

HIGHLAND - Fellow Knights should get ready to "Save the Date" for the Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance on Sunday, February 9, 2020.

The Highland Assembly 0231 will host their annual Valentine's Day dinner and dance at the KC Hall located on Highway 143.

The social will begin at approximately 5 p.m. with dinner beginning at approximately 5:30 p.m. with the music from 6 – 9 p.m. The cost of the Dinner and Dance will be \$25 per person.

There will be great food and an open bar at this event.

All members of Highland Council and Assembly are invited to attend as well as members from the other local Councils and Assemblies. This will be a great time for the assemblies to get together, socialize and great time with your significant other.



Food Donations

HACSM Executive Director Diane Williams accepts 259 pounds of food items and \$109 of cash donations from Highland Knights of Columbus Grand Knight Kim White. The food was collected at the KC's Annual Christmas Party held on December 15.

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Anniversaries & Birthdays

January

Anniversaries

- 03 - Robert & Gloria Schwarz
- 05 - Donald & Teresa Mc Call
- 09 - Edwin & Cheryl Haselhorst
- 09 - Gary & Laurie Todt
- 24 - Clarence & Ruth Korte
- 24 - Wayne & Debra Keeven
- 27 - Jim & Lori Gutzler

January

Birthdays

- 01 - Cory M Frey
- 01 - Kevin E Goring
- 01 - Mark L Voegel
- 02 - Jennifer Range
- 02 - Lucy Henrichs
- 03 - Ethel Korte
- 03 - Joe M Dant
- 03 - Laura Levad
- 04 - John M Etter
- 05 - Philip G Hereford
- 05 - Garland A Edwards
- 05 - Tracy Frey
- 06 - Philip T Klostermann
- 07 - Gail Gutzler
- 07 - Michael R Ammann
- 07 - Paul L Kustermann
- 07 - Ryan J Henrichs
- 07 - Trisha Korte
- 08 - David S Korte
- 08 - Mark A Voss
- 08 - Richard L Boeser
- 08 - Steve J Ribbing
- 08 - Timothy S Korte
- 08 - Vernell H Wellen
- 09 - Dustin W Keeven
- 09 - Richard L Sanvi
- 10 - Daniel F Kapp
- 10 - Linda Zobrist
- 10 - Madonna Fischer
- 10 - Michael L Jacober
- 10 - Robert J Quade
- 11 - Edward P Gagen
- 11 - James G Haberer
- 11 - Kim Vincent
- 11 - William H Twyford
- 12 - Lee J Wellen
- 12 - Orville J Landmann
- 12 - Shirley Weis
- 13 - Chad A Wolters
- 13 - David J Long
- 13 - Lee M Rinderer
- 13 - Stephen Schonhardt
- 13 - Steven D Brendel
- 16 - Derek P Kloss
- 16 - Pam Geier
- 17 - Andrew M Abendroth
- 17 - Mark J Korte
- 18 - Bruce A Capelle
- 18 - Dorothy Durbin

- 18 - Jacob T Gutzler
- 18 - Laurie Frank
- 18 - Marjorie Rittenhouse
- 20 - Kathy Klostermann
- 21 - Elizabeth Overby
- 21 - Kenneth P Klostermann
- 22 - Michael S Carroll
- 22 - Nicholas G Hanna
- 23 - Jerry D Sugg
- 23 - Joseph A Jacober
- 23 - Virgil R Wilke
- 24 - Duane F Gilomen
- 24 - Julie Hammer
- 24 - Mitchel A Widman
- 25 - Randy J Dickman
- 26 - Kurt W Schriewer
- 26 - Michael C Capelle
- 26 - Shari Meyer
- 27 - Gerald H Thole
- 27 - Joan Riffel
- 27 - Timothy P Korte
- 28 - Frank W Prusa
- 28 - Kenneth E Klaus
- 29 - Joseph Barth
- 30 - Arthur J Warnecke Jr
- 30 - Gary E Stone II
- 30 - Mary Bruggemann
- 30 - Matthew C Bochantin
- 30 - Scott A Geest
- 30 - Sherry Holzinger
- 31 - Maureen Napper

MEMO FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Happy New Year!
With the New Year, it is time to pay your 2020 dues. Statements were mailed earlier in December.

You can pay your dues at the hall any day from 8 am to noon or during our Special Bingo, January 1st or the Chicken Dinner, January 26th. You can also mail your dues to:
**Martin Klostermann, F.S.
PO Box 195
Highland, IL 62249**
Regular members are \$30.00 per year,
Fourth Degree dues are an additional \$15.00,
Students pay \$20.00,
Honorary Members pay \$10.00 per year,
Honorary Life Members pay no dues.
Military Members pay no dues.

Knight of the Month

We have selected as December's Knight of the Month a young brother Knight who contributes his time and talents to the Knights of Columbus and the Columbus Club in many ways.

Our brother knight has been a KC member since 2013.

He is best known for his participation in unique fund-raising activities including the Gun Raffle, Bags Tournament and Pub Crawl.

He represents the future of our council. It is with great appreciation that we honor John Hemann as December's Knight of the Month. Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus – Council 1580.

Family of the Month

We have selected as December's Family of the month a brother knight and his lady that are well known at our council.

He is a past Faithful Navigator with a contagious laugh and smile. He and his lady are regulars at the 50-50 table at the Queen of Hearts. His lady is a member of the KC Ladies Auxiliary. They are a couple we all can look up to.

It is with sincere appreciation that we have selected Bob and Margo Buehne as December's Family of the Month. Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus – Council 1580.

Senior Knight of the Month

We have selected as December's Senior Knight of the Month a brother Knight who continually contributes his time and many talents to the community, the church and the Knights of Columbus.

Our brother knight joined the Knights of Columbus in 1973 and is an Honorary Life Member.

He supports our council by working Bingo, Queen of Hearts and nearly every other event including Funeral Home visits. He volunteers at our local hospital, takes communion to shut ins, helps maintain the grounds at our church and is instrumental at the MEGA Flea Market with his recycling and refuse services.

It is with great respect and admiration that we have selected Vern Rakers as December's Senior Knight of the Month. Congratulations from the Knights of Columbus – Council 1580.



Honky Tonk KC Christmas Party

The KC Hall was transformed into a Honky Tonk for the annual KC Christmas Party and Awards Banquet. Members dressed in western wear, ate fine smoked BBQ and congratulated the 2019 recipients of Family of the Year, Senior Knight of the Year, Knight of the Year and Lady of the Year at the event on December 15.

Columbus Club Looking Forward to The New Year

Happy New Year Everyone! Like it or not, 2019 is History and 2020 is upon us. I hope you can all be thankful for Blessings in your life, including Family, Friends and Health. It is so easy to get caught up in daily struggles that we forget what we have that is truly important to us. I am looking forward to the new year and hope you are too.

There are two goals on the radar for upgrading the Hall this year. One, we will have the new sound system installed, which will be a great improvement over the current system. We ran into a few obstacles that prevented us from installing in 2019, but it will be installed soon, if all goes well. Second, we are currently working on bids and approval to install automatic front doors. We think the elderly and handicapped entering and exiting the building will benefit the most. We are excited about this and know it will be well received within the community.

A few notable accomplishments in 2019; The roof, guttering and downspouts on the Hall were replaced. A new computer system was installed, and the office was very nicely renovated. Only with the assistance of several Knights volunteering many hours of their time, was this possible.

Reflecting on 2019, I can't forget about all those that help so much in keeping the Hall and grounds in great shape. Much of that help is volunteer Knights and their families that do not expect or want recognition. Their satisfaction is seeing the continued success of the K of C charitably support the community, church and the needy. This past year, we lost several Brother Knights who did so much and expected nothing in return for their many years of contributions. One very hard-working Brother who dedicated much of his life doing just that, was Brother and Sir Knight Carl (Carley) Rutz. Carley could do just about anything and educated so many of us along the way. He never expected anything in return, except kindness and compassion toward others. He passed onto Heaven this past spring. He is missed but not forgotten. Kent Korte, another Brother

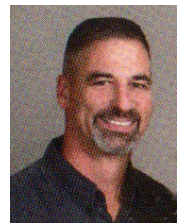


who's been very generous in his contributions to the Hall's upkeep, was kind enough to create a sign in remembrance of Carley. It was recently installed on the north side of what everyone calls "Carley's Shed." Carley did so much everywhere he went, but working outdoors and around the ballfields / pavilion was a favorite of his. So, it is nice that he can now watch over what was so special to him.

God Bless the souls of all our Knights we have lost this past year. Most recently, Brother Marty Wilson.

Count your blessings every day. Acts of kindness and charity go a long way and help us to realize how Blessed we really are when we can help someone else.

God Bless You and Your Family
Mike Carroll
Columbus Club President



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President

2020's Valentine's

Dinner & Dance

9th FEBRUARY | HIGHLAND KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
All Brother & Sir Knights invited

5:00 PM COCKTAILS & DINNER | \$25.00 pp
Dress: Suit or Tuxedo
Music by Kevin Heim

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A Tribute to Marty Wilson

Marty Wilson passed away the morning of December 23rd. Marty was very well known around Highland and within Council 1580. We were all shocked when



*Kim White
Grand Knight*

we heard about his situation and again when we learned of his passing

I am lucky to have known Marty as a neighbor, friend and a knight. I lived across the street from him for about 12 years. He and I were in related business so we worked together on dozens of telecom wiring projects through the years.

When I became more involved with the KCs after retirement, I realized he was a valued member of Council 1580 and frequently called upon to help with special projects.

In the more than 30 years

I have known Marty and all the miles we traveled together working, I never saw him upset or heard an unkind word come out of his mouth. He was a kind soul who was always willing to help. He loved to fish, hunt and bowl.

He was extremely good at his job and could get a wire between any two points in a building despite any obstacles. He loved his wife and family.

I talked to Marty about ten days before he died. I asked him if he needed anything or if I could do anything for him. He said "I just need your prayers". The world needs more people like Marty Wilson. Everyone who knew him will look back at their experiences and interactions with him with fond memories and smiles. I know I will.

Marty was one of these men who was good at everything he did and leaves a legacy of good will for all of those who knew and loved him.

He was secure in his faith, happy with his life and I am proud to call him my friend.

He will be dearly missed.

*Until next month,
Kim White, Grand Knight.*

Ladies Auxiliary News

As we enter this new year, maybe we can try to make our resolutions more "other" based. May we resolve to open our eyes to see the poor, the hungry, the sick, the imprisoned who may be right in front of us and then take action. May we have ears to hear the prayer requests of others and then pray with and for them. May we have feet to run to and walk beside those in need and those who are alone. May we have hearts to love unconditionally without judgment. May we have minds to think like Jesus. May we have hands to welcome, reach out, draw in, lift up and hold up.



*Kathy Lohman
Ladies Auxiliary Secretary*

May we have mouths to speak our faith and share what God has done in our lives and why we love Him and believe in Him. May we have knees to fall down on in praise, prayer and thanksgiving. May we live JOY based lives: Jesus first, Others second, Yourself last.

The Ladies enjoyed a wonderful Christmas party in December and are preparing for a busy new year full of opportunities: the Knights Chicken Dinner on January 26 needs pies/workers; the Queen of Hearts kitchen needs workers every Thursday; the Rock & Roll Bingo on May 15th will need workers and players. Come join in the fun as good deeds are done! Our next meeting is January 7th at 7PM at the KC Hall. If you are not a member, come out and see what we're about! We would love to sign you up!

Congratulations to our own President Kathy Klostermann for being named 2019 Lady of the Year! Great job!

32nd Annual Bishop's Dinner

Fundraiser for Vocations, Newman & Life
February 23rd, 2020

10:30 AM Mass with Bishop Paprocki
at St. Paul Church, Highland

12:00 Noon Dinner & Program
at Knights of Columbus Hall, Highland

Watch for Invitation Mailer Coming Later in January

Our condolences to the family of Laura Emma Loyet who passed away December 2nd, 2019. She was the wife of our deceased brother knight Donald Lee Loyet.

Our condolences to the family of our brother knight Wilfred A. 'Willie' Marquardt who passed away December 15th, 2019.

Our condolences to the family of our brother knight William "Marty" Wilson who passed away December 23rd, 2019.

Christmas Party, Awards Banquet Is Tremendous Success

Each year the Annual KC Christmas Party and Awards Banquet provides a time to celebrate our accomplishments and recognize the knights and ladies that were instrumental in the success of our council. Despite a snowstorm that kept the Silver Creek Bluegrass Band from performing, the KC Hall was transformed into a honky-tonk. Many of the participants came in their finest western wear, ready to be served traditional smoked brisket and smoked turkey with all the trimmings and belly up to the bar for their favorite brew. After dinner the awards ceremony got underway.

The Family of the Year was presented to Matt and Lynn Dermody. Matt and Lynn are visible as a family at all KC functions, frequently with their two daughters. Matt serves on the Columbus Club Board and is our council's Membership Director.

He was instrumental in getting our new equipment shed installed and assists with building maintenance. His lady is active in the Ladies Auxiliary and is a former Ladies Auxiliary President.

The Senior Knight of the Year award was presented to Kenny Klaus. He is known for being a knight that works every event. This includes every Fish Fry, every Bingo and every Queen of Hearts. Along with his long-standing commitment to the Knights of Columbus, Kenny attends daily mass. He is well known throughout our community and has more friends than most could ever hope too. You can hear his infectious laugh from across the room. His life exemplifies what it means to be a Catholic gentleman and a knight.

The Knight of the Year award was presented to Lee Trame. Lee is our council's Treasurer and plays an important role in keeping Council 1580 financially strong.

He works many hours behind the scenes counting and depositing money, maintaining a dozen accounts, paying our taxes and helping us keep our larger financial contributions on a sustainable schedule. He prepares our reports for our officer and council meetings and still finds time to work KC events.

The Lady of the Year award was given to Kathy Klostermann. Kathy is currently the President of the KC Ladies Auxiliary. The knights depend on this wonderful organization for assistance with both our weekly events, like the Queen of Hearts or our Seasonal Events like this Christmas



Knight of the Year = Lee Trame



Lady of the Year = Kathy Klostermann



Family of the Year = Matt and Lynn Dermody



Senior Knight of the Year = Kenny Klaus

Party or the Bishops Dinner. The Knights and Ladies also fund several initiatives together including Forty Days for Life, Called and Sent, and Christmas for a Needy Family. Coordination and communication between the Knights and Ladies Auxiliary are essential for our Council to be effective and we are very fortunate to have Kathy Klostermann as President of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Along with these awards members which have accrued 25 and 50 years of continuous service were also recognized. Our council is blessed to have many members with a wide variety of talents which we call upon in order to put our faith in action.

The people who won this year's awards have proven to be essential to our council and deserving of our recognition.



25 Years
Randy Von Hatten receives an award for 25 years of continuous service to the Knights of Columbus by Grand Knight Kim White.



50 Years
Gene Bruggemann receives an award for 50 years of continuous service to the Knights of Columbus by Grand Knight Kim White.



25 Years Honorary
Marvin Grapperhaus, Robert Hammer and Terry Snyder receive the Honorary Membership Award for 25 years of continuous service and being at least 65 years of age.

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<div style="text-align: center;"> <h3>Knights of Columbus</h3> <h2>INSURANCE</h2> <p>YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE</p> </div>			1 <i>New Year's Day</i> Special Bingo - 2:00 PM Week 1 Odd Month Team Bartender: Derek Driemeyer QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	2 Queen of Hearts Drawing at 8:00 PM	3	4 9:00 AM KC District Deputy Meeting Greenville
	5 Shriners	6 7:30 PM Fourth Degree Meeting	7 7:00 PM Ladies Auxilary 7:00 PM Council Officers 8:00 PM Columbus Club QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	8 Bingo - Games Begin 7 PM Week 2 Odd Month Team Bartender: Mike Carroll Euchre 7:30PM QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	9 Queen of Hearts Drawing at 8:00 PM	10
12 Boy Scout Breakfast 8 AM-1 PM KC Chapter Meeting 1 PM - 5 PM	13 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	14 7:30 PM KC Council Meeting QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	15 Bingo - Games Begin 7 PM Week 3 Odd Month Team Bartender: Derek Driemeyer Euchre 7:30PM QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	16 Queen of Hearts Drawing at 8:00 PM	17 Relevant Pregnancy Options Center Trivia Night Doors Open: 6:30 PM Game Begins 7:00 PM	18 Private Party
19	20 <i>Martin Luther King Jr.</i> Shriners Knight Time Singers 7:00 PM Hitz Home Alhambra	21 QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	22 Bingo - Games Begin 7 PM Week 4 Odd Month Team Bartender: Derek Driemeyer Euchre 7:30PM QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	23 Queen of Hearts Drawing at 8:00 PM	24 St. Paul Dinner Auction Setup	25 St. Paul Dinner Auction Doors Open 5:30 PM
26 KC Chicken Dinner 11:00 AM - 5:30 PM	27 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	28 QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	29 Bingo - Games Begin 7 PM Week 4 Odd Month Team Bartender: Derek Driemeyer Euchre 7:30PM QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	30 Queen of Hearts Drawing at 8:00 PM	31	

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	2 <i>Groundhog Day / Super Bowl</i>	3 7:30 PM Fourth Degree Meeting	4 7:00 PM Ladies Auxilary 7:00 PM Council Officers 8:00 PM Columbus Club QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	5 Bingo - Games Begin 7 PM Week 1 Even Month Team Bartender: Derek Driemeyer Euchre 7:30 PM QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	6 Queen of Hearts Drawing at 8:00 PM	7 Boy Scouts
9 Valentine Dinner Dance Hosted by Fourth Degree Doors Open 5:00 PM Dinner Served 5:30 PM All Knights Are Invited	10 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	11 7:30 PM KC Council Meeting QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	12 Bingo - Games Begin 7 PM Week 2 Even Month Team Bartender: Mike Carroll Euchre 7:30 PM QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	13 Queen of Hearts Drawing at 8:00 PM	14 <i>Valentine's Day</i>	15 Wedding
16 KC Spelling Bee Doors Open 12:00 PM Contest Begins 2:00 PM Grades 5-8	17 <i>Presidents Day</i> Shriners Knight Time Singers 7:00 PM Faith Countryside Apartments	18 QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	19 Bingo - Games Begin 7 PM Week 3 Even Month Team Bartender: Derek Driemeyer Euchre 7:30 PM QoH Ticket Sales 5-8 PM	20 Queen of Hearts Drawing at 8:00 PM	21	22 Blue & Gold Banquet
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