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KCs Hold Free Throw Contest

HIGHLAND - The Highland Knights of Columbus recently held their annual Free Throw Competition.

This competition for boys and girls has been sponsored by the Knights since 1972.

After competing at the local level, winners go to the district, regional, and state level. Some winners even go to the international level. Thanks to Chairman Bob Melosi and his team of fellow Knights, this is one method of working in the community as well as giving youngsters a rewarding activity.



Perfect Form

The Pioneer/ By Bill Napper

Olivia Wilke throws the ball with perfect form as she takes part in the Highland Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest at St. Paul School.



Spelling Bee Winners

The Pioneer by Dave Gall

Winners of the Knights of Columbus spelling bee take a moment for a photo, Sunday at the KC Hall. The event is sponsored by Highland Council Knights of Columbus # 1580 and the winners will now go on the next level of competition and if they are successful they will represent this area at State Level. They are: Vinny Courtois, 7th grade, St. Paul School - "Alternate" (left), Lauren Wernle, 5th grade, Highland Elementary School, "Alternate", 1st place Rhea Fowler, 5th grade Highland Elementary School, 3rd place Faith Scott, 7th grade, Highland Middle School, 2nd place, Aaron Boulanger, 8th grade St. Paul School.

Knights of Columbus Major Degree To Be Held

Highland Council 1580 is holding a Major Degree on Sunday, March 8, 2015. If you know of any Catholic man, 18 years or older especially your college age sons and grandsons, who wishes to become closer to his family, strengthen his faith and give back to the community ask him to come join us. Candidates wishing to join at this time should be at the Highland KC Hall at 12:30 pm.

Also, any First Degree Knights are encouraged to participate in the 2nd and 3rd Degree ceremonies. These are the next steps on your way to becoming fully vested in the Knights of Columbus. Current First Degree members should be at the KC hall no later than 1:30 pm. Please contact any one of your Brother Knights listed below with any questions.

Dinner will be served for members and their families after the ceremonies. Call the KC Hall for make your reservations, 645-9049.

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FAMILY OF THE MONTH

We have selected, as January's Family of the Month, a Brother Knight and his Lady for their continual service and support to the Church, our Council and to our Community.

This Brother Knight and his Lady are active in many aspects of the Council.

He works at the Fish Fry's, and fries chicken with Gary Dueser.

He and his family volunteer a full shift at the soda stand at the annual St Paul Kirchenfest. Two of his children work as bartenders in the hall.

Our Family of the Month demonstrates their commitment to our Parish as members of St Paul parish. He and his family volunteer their time working at the cemetery.

It is with deep appreciation that we have selected Russell & Diane, Ashley, Thomas, Melissa, Nicholas, Kaitlyn, Chelsey, Alisha, Dylan, Jacob, Stephanie, and Christa Kloss as our Family of the Month for January, 2015.

Congratulations from Council 1580.

SENIOR KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

We have selected as January's Senior Knight of the Month, a Brother Knight who continues to provide service and support to the Church, Community and our Council.

Our Brother Knight demonstrated his support of the Council recently by working several days in the council center with a scrapper and paintbrush to update the appearance of the hall. His hard work will be viewed and appreciated at Fish Fries, dinners, receptions, sales, conventions and major degree events.

Our Senior Knight of the Month is a member of our St Paul parish.

It is with deep appreciation that we have selected, Tom Ahlmeyer, as Senior Knight of the Month for January, 2015.

He participates in the Life Chain, Living Rosary and Memorial Mass.

He works bingos and the Intellectual Disability fund raiser.

He serves the church as an Extraordinary Minister of Communion and can be found most mornings attending daily Mass

You can find this Brother Knight providing this support in a variety of ways.

This Knight can be found supporting the Lenten fish fries and working the food stand at the fair, Chicken Dinner.

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at St Paul Church.

He is a past Columbus Club Board Member, where he served as Vice President.

He currently is our Knights of Columbus Council Treasurer

It is with the sincerest of appreciation that we have selected Lee Trame as the Knight of the Month for January 2015. Congratulations from the Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580

Looking For Fulfillment?

Are you looking to get involved with your church, but you don't know where to begin?

Why not consider joining the Knights of Columbus?

This has been a wonderful and successful organization since Father Michael J. McGivney, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church in New Haven and some of his parishioners, formed the KCs on March 29, 1882

Even today, the Order is still true to its founding principles of charity, unity and fraternity.

The Knights was formed to provide financial assistance to its members and their families. Because of the foresight of Father Michael J. McGivney, the Knights of Columbus has become the world's foremost Catholic fraternal benefit society.

The Knights of Columbus has grown from several members in one council to more than 14,000 councils and 1.8 million members throughout the United States, Canada, the Philippines, Mexico, Poland, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Panama, the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands, Cuba, Guatemala, Guam and Saipan.

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4th DEGREE NEWS

We are already into the New Year and activities have started to pick up. If you are a member of the 4th degree and do not have regalia this would be a good time to acquire regalia. The Honor Guard is always looking for new members. If you have regalia and are no longer able to serve in the Honor Guard, please consider passing on your regalia to a new brother Sir Knight who might be in need of regalia.

ATTENTION 3RD DEGREE MEMBERS!

All members of the 3rd degree have the opportunity to advance to the Fourth Degree by attending the exemplification to be held February 27th & 28th at Our Lady of Snows Shrine in Belleville. A great opportunity with little travel involved. Start making plans now to attend. We are going to have a number of men joining at this exemplification. Why not you? If you need information or an application, just let me know, Jerry Genteman (618) 792-3600 or Ron Clarkin (618) 654-4861. All 4th degree members are encouraged to attend this exemplification as a show of support for our new Sir Knights. Let me know if you will be able to attend.



Jerry Genteman - Faithful Navigator



Birthdays & Anniversaries

February Birthdays

- 1 - Thomas Henrichs
- 1 - Kathleen (Dennis) Keeven
- 1 - Carl Lammers
- 2 - Jo Ellen (Donald) Bollman
- 3 - Donna (Kenneth) Kampwerth
- 3 - Cyril Korte
- 3 - Jo Ann (George) Korte
- 3 - Deborah (Robert) Vance
- 5 - Linda (Robert) Bollman
- 5 - Maurice Gutzler
- 5 - Gary Todt
- 6 - Dean Korte
- 6 - Nicholas Korte
- 6 - Mary Jane (Leonard) Landmann
- 6 - Robert Rapp
- 6 - Dennis Tabor
- 7 - Bart Alexander
- 7 - Pamela (Robert) Benda Ii
- 7 - Jonathon Elliott
- 7 - Edith (Robert) Korte
- 7 - Rodney Miller
- 7 - Dorothy Stanfa
- 7 - Kyle Troxell
- 8 - Brendon Delaney
- 8 - Jeanette (Melvin) Long
- 8 - Sue (Luke) Wellen
- 9 - Blake Kohlbrecher
- 9 - Stephen Linenfesler
- 10 - Lori (James) Gutzler
- 10 - Gail (Robert) Ohren
- 10 - Robert Spengel
- 11 - Roberta (Andrew) Anderson
- 11 - Clayton Cary
- 12 - Brant Frey
- 12 - Willfred Marquardt
- 12 - Ted Schrage
- 12 - Melinda (Michael) Tarvin
- 12 - Jeanette (Terry) Zobrist
- 13 - Susanne (Edward) Campbell
- 13 - Jodi (Stephen) Ferguson
- 13 - Bonnie (Thomas) Hill
- 15 - Brad Korte
- 15 - Steven Rezabek
- 15 - Kevin Thuenemann
- 16 - James Klostermann
- 16 - Gail (Bradford) Voss
- 16 - Marcus Whelchel
- 17 - Emily (Christ) Schwarz
- 17 - Michael Tarvin
- 17 - Alphonse Vonderhaar
- 19 - Karen (Thomas) Melosi

- 19 - Carol (Gary) Richter
- 20 - Daniel Goggin
- 20 - Linda (Steve) Heimsath
- 20 - Melody (Daniel) Kapp
- 20 - Robert Korte
- 20 - Edwin Plocher
- 20 - Angie (Matthew) Powers
- 20 - Becky (Steve) Ribbing
- 20 - Elaine (James) Thurnau
- 20 - Janice (R. Keith) Vogt
- 21 - Mary (Kenneth) Kapp
- 21 - Christopher Marti
- 21 - Raymond Schrage
- 21 - Romy (Raymond) Schrage
- 21 - Theresa (Peter) Tucker
- 21 - Joan (Stanley) Wilke
- 21 - William Wilson
- 22 - Larry Buchheim
- 22 - Maurice Kramper
- 23 - Peggy (John) Elliott
- 23 - James Gallatin
- 23 - Jerold Hohlt
- 23 - Kathleen (Donald) Lohman
- 23 - James Voss
- 23 - Angie (Chris) Wernle
- 24 - Thomas Hill
- 24 - Anna (Michael) Voegelé
- 24 - Larry Widman
- 25 - Kevin Stallard
- 26 - Garry Werner
- 27 - Sharon (Eugene) Bickl
- 27 - Doreen (Thomas) Whalen
- 29 - Mark Eilers
- 29 - Larry Essenpreis

February Anniversaries

- 3 - Jerome & Karen Kuhl
- 4 - Keith & Norine Koch
- 4 - Danny & Rosemary Kloss
- 5 - Michael & Barbara Kuhl
- 5 - Mike & Michelle Dapkus
- 7 - Timothy & Kim Vincent
- 9 - Michael & Diana Compton
- 12 - Philip & Sharon Klostermann
- 14 - Bradley & Kristen Koehnemann
- 14 - Joseph & Jean Jacober
- 15 - Greg & Judy Zampogna
- 15 - Mark & Gail Marie Holthaus
- 16 - Steve & Linda Heimsath
- 17 - Frank & Mary Jo Prusa
- 17 - Robert & Margo Buehne
- 25 - David & Christine Gall
- 27 - Kevin & Sue Buchmiller

OUR CONDOLENCES

To Dorothy Flaiz on the loss of her husband, Brother Knight Arthur Flaiz

Look for your membership number inserted in Newsletter

The name of Justin Robitsch was drawn at the last meeting. Had he been present he would have received \$340.00 for attendance at the meeting. Next month's prize will be \$350.00. The prize increases by \$10.00 each month until another member is present and wins. Remember you must be present at the meeting to be able to win.

The membership number in the last newsletter belonged to Roland Davis. The number was located in this article. Had he been at the meeting and told the Grand Knight that it was his membership number in the

newsletter, he would have won \$50.00. Look for your membership number inserted in this month's Newsletter, show up at the next month's meeting and identify yourself to the Grand Knight that you are the holder of that membership number and win \$50.00.

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Long-Term Care Plans Offer Peace of Mind

Since its addition to the Order's product portfolio in 2000, long-term care (LTC) insurance has provided the Knights of Columbus with an excellent opportunity to further serve members

and their families. And, for our long-term care policy holders in the United States, there's an added bonus.

It's called "Provider Pathway," a program offering access

to a network of long-term care providers at discounted rates. The network includes discounts on products, such as hearing aids, diabetic supplies, personal emergency response systems, and durable medical equipment, as well as skilled nursing facilities, assisted living, and adult day care.

Eligibility for participation in this program is open to Knights of Columbus long-term care insurance policyholders, their spouses, dependent children, parents and parents-in-law. All providers are fully credentialed and meet state licensing requirements.

If you haven't yet spoken with me about long-term care insurance, you owe it to your-

self to do so. There are a few decisions to make in choosing a "plan" — a comprehensive plan that covers care whether you're at home or in a facility, or one that covers facility only; daily benefit amounts and benefit durations (how much and how long it will last); and the length of the elimination period (waiting period) before benefits kick-in. Having a professionally

trained agent — and a brother Knight you can trust — to help guide you through the process is yet another valuable benefit that comes with your membership. Take advantage of it; contact me today.

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Upcoming Events

The Lenten Fish Fry Dinners are set to begin on Friday, February 13th. The menu again will consist of both fried and baked fish, shrimp, crab Rangoon, chicken fingers and side items. This year - by popular demand from earlier events - we will be including homemade 'cheese potatoes.' This year's dinner price is set at \$10.00 per plate for "all you can eat." Return as many times as you like for the delicious fried and baked fish! Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

The 27th Annual Vocations, Newman and Pro-Life Fundraiser Dinner is approaching quickly. This year's event is scheduled for Sunday, February 15th at 1:00 p.m. His Excellency Bishop Thomas John Paprocki will be celebrating Mass at St. Paul Church at 11:30 a.m. with other area priests attending. After Mass we will be traveling to the K of C Hall for lunch and a short program. Remember, for a minimum \$25 donation per person you may attend the luncheon. The luncheon is being catered by Cygan-Delaney. Donations from the luncheon are used to fund Vocations, Newman, and Pro-Life activities. These activities are the top charitable endeavors in the Knights of Columbus. Please try to attend this most worthy event!

HATS OFF



To Brother Knight Lee Trame for being selected Knight of the Month

To the Bother Knight Russell and Dianne Kloss for being selected as the Family of the Month

To Brother Knight Tom Ahlmeyer for being selected as the Senior Knight of the Month

To all Members and Ladies of Council 1580 for their Assistance in the Annual Chicken Dinner

To the Ladies Auxiliary for the great success of their Annual In-Door Garage Sale

To all Members & Families of Council 1580 and our Parishes for their support of the Knights of Columbus Chicken Dinner. Without your support we would not be able to donate to worthy causes

From The Editors

Please send us your ideas, or articles by February 18th and it will appear in the next Newsletter. We will accept a disc or email if that is more convenient.

We have changed the process of getting the newsletter to you. Please check your parish bulletin or the back of your church for our current newsletter. The Newsletter is also available online at <http://www.highlandkc.org/kc/Newsletters.asp>.

Please update us with your new email, cell phone, or 4248000 postal address changes. If you use a cell phone as your primary phone service please let us know your number so we can update our records. Please call the hall at 654-9049 and advise your phone number.

If you have an email address send an e-mail to our email address knights@highlandkc.org so we can add your address to our e-mail listing. You can reach our website at www.highlandkc.org.

*Bill Napper, Herb Durbin, Chris Chalfant
Newsletter Editors*

Leadership Opportunity Needs Filled Quickly!

Do you have what it takes to provide counseling to a group of fine young Catholic men ages 10 to 18? Here in Highland we are very fortunate to have an official Knights of Columbus junior organization known as the Columbian Squires. The supreme purpose of the Columbian Squires is "character building." The Columbian Squires program strives to provide "the spiritual, cultural, civic, social and physical improvement of its members and the development of their leadership qualities."

Our Columbian Squires Circle 4627 needs to fill the position of Counselor quickly! The counselor position will provide guidance to the officers of the Squire Circle and supervise the development of its members into Catholic leaders. This position is very rewarding as it allows for the opportunity to witness these young men work and socialize as a group of friends. The Columbian Squires Circle is similar to the Council in the sense that it elects its' own officers, holds regular meetings (every other month), and schedules events and fundraisers to raise financial means for charitable donations. The Columbian Squires also provide much needed assistance to our Council functions as well. Please do not miss this excellent opportunity to have a positive impact on our 'future Knights of Columbus leaders' and to enhance your own spirituality!

If any Brother Knight is interested in filling the role of counselor to our Columbian Squires Circle 4627, please do not hesitate to call Grand Knight, Joe Wetmore at 618-803-8362 for more information.

Message From Grand Knight

Lenten Fish Fry's begin on Feb. 13

Once again, another month comes to a close and a new month begins with an abundance of service opportunities. We should all consider ourselves truly blessed to be in such positions.

This month's Grand Knights Message has somewhat of a bittersweet beginning.

It is my duty to inform all of you that our Deputy Grand Knight, Mr. Bill Napper has made the decision to resign his position, due to his extremely heavy workload.

Although it saddens me to lose such valuable team member, I completely understand his decision.

My solace lies in knowing that in his 'heart of hearts' he has made the right choice. Bill is going to stay active within the council by contributing his time and talent as one of our newsletter editors and helping out when he is available.

For these decisions I am truly grateful. Bill, thank you for all of your service to our Knights of Columbus Council!

I would like to take this opportunity to give special thanks to Bob Douglas for his efforts in the success of the Spelling Bee, and to Bob Melosi for his efforts in the success of the Free Throw contest.

I have spoken with contestants in both events and they expressed great satisfaction. Congratulations to all participants and especially to those moving on to the next round of competition. Good Luck to all of you!

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of the members who helped out at the annual chicken dinner in making it a success.

The chicken dinner is another one of our major fundraisers with proceeds providing support to the St. Paul School Education Foundation along with other Knights of Columbus charities.

As I mentioned above, there are many upcoming service opportunities. The Lenten Fish Fry's begin on Feb. 13th and the Annual Fundraiser Dinner is scheduled for Feb. 15th. Please mark your calendars accordingly and feel free to help as often as you can. More detailed articles regarding these events to follow. Again, we couldn't do what we do without you!

Wishing you the comforts of Peace, Love and Joy,

Nominations To Be Taken To Fill Deputy Grand Knight Position

This article is being written as notification that the position of Deputy Grand Knight is currently vacant and needs to be filled. Notice is hereby being given that the position of Deputy Grand Knight will be filled by a majority vote at our next business meeting scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10th, 2015. Please note that we will be taking nominations from the floor for the Deputy Grand Knight position and then voting will take place for the position. Nominations for any vacancy resulting from the Deputy Grand Knight's position being filled will be taken from the floor and subsequently voted upon immediately following the Deputy Grand Knights position being filled



Knights Have Perfect Venue

HIGHLAND - Whether you have 75 or 500 people coming to your party, the Knights of Columbus has the perfect place to hold your event.

Their banquet center located at 12454 Highway 143, just across from Wal-Mart has a great dance floor, a full kitchen and bar, and spacious bathrooms.

It's the perfect place to hold wedding receptions, an organized event, a concert, or conference.

Call 618-654-9049 for details!



Bargains!
Matt Dermondy is the perfect salesman as he pushes all of the great bargains that were found at the KC Ladies Auxiliary Annual Garage Sale.

Pioneer Photo by Bill Napper



Alexander Bruchhauser, of Highland, who recently earned his Eagle rank poses with his father, David at the Boy Scouts Breakfast held at the Knights of Columbus Hall.



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Ladies Auxiliary News

Brrrrrr! Yes, it's winter in the Midwest! But the Ladies Auxiliary is as busy as ever baking pies, serving up desserts and helping wherever they see a need. Recently, they assisted the Knights with their renovations to spruce up the Hall and just in time for the Bishop's Vocations Dinner on February 15th. Sign up to come if you haven't yet done so.

We ask your prayers for the Craig and Julie Frydrych family as they are deployed for the next several months. We pray for their safe return home and for their family as they are separated.

Upcoming bingo pie providers are:

- Feb.4th--Marge Holshouser
- Mar.4th--Maureen Napper
- Feb.11th--Mary Lou Meridith
- Mar.11th--Kaye Plocher
- Feb.18th--Kathy Lohman
- Mar.18th--Paula Rehkemper
- Feb. 25th--Deb Wick
- Mar.25th--Phyllis Reidelberger

It may be cold outside but you'll always be greeted warmly at our meetings on the 1st Tuesday of the month at the KC Hall at 7PM. Warm desserts and hot coffee awaits you!

Memo From The Financial Secretary

It is time to pay your 2015 dues. 2nd Notice Statements will be mailed out January 28th.

You can pay your dues at the hall any day from 8 am to noon or during our Wednesday Night Bingo. You can also mail your dues to:

Martin Klostermann, F.S.
90 Meadowlark Lane
Highland, IL. 62249-3001
Or
Knights of Columbus
PO Box 195,
Highland, IL 62249

Regular members are \$30.00 per year, Fourth Degree dues are an additional \$8.00, Honorary Members pay \$10.00 per year, and Honorary Life Members pay no dues.