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Knights of Columbus Donate To Area Charities After Bar Crawl



John Hemann, left, Grand Knight Jerry Klostermann and Ben Brinker present a \$568 check to Tom Hill to assist the St. Vincent De Paul Society.

By Bill Napper

HIGHLAND-The Highland Knights of Columbus here presented checks, Wednesday to help others in need by supporting three local charities.

The Knights held a bar crawl on Dec. 16.

Proceeds from the events allowed a presentation of \$568 to the St. Vincent De Paul Society; \$2,390 to Leaps of Love and \$575 to Relevant Pregnancy Options center. Knight organizers appreciate everyone who took part in the event and in the support of these vital charitable organizations.

The Bar Crawl started out as a fundraiser for the "Knight's for Light's", program as an effort to raise money for the lights on the Highland Knight's of Columbus youth baseball/ softball fields. But, it grew to so much more!

A portion of each partici-

pant's fee went toward charity. As well as a portion of each of the participating bar's sponsor fee's.

The four charities supported were: Leaps of Love, Relevant Pregnancy Options Center, St. Vincent De Paul Society, and the Knight's for Light's program.

Ten participating bars generously donated money to be apart of the event. Each bar also created their own game that bar crawl participants played for points.

Those participating were:

- 1. Sams Pizza
- 2. Broadway Bar & Grill
- 3. Chipper's
- 4. Ethel's
- 5. Corner Keg
- 6. Ed & Millie's
- 7. E L Flanagan's
- 8. 501 Blue's Club
- 9. Railshake Brewery 10. Hi Top Bowl



John Hemann, left, Grand Knight Jerry Klostermann and Ben Brinker present a \$2,390 check to Traci Riechmann to assist Leaps of Love in the fight against childhood cancer.

After the bar crawl; awards, food, and live music from Blacktop Boulevard and The Insomniac's followed at the KC Hall. Special thanks to all the bars that participated and the sponsors that donated prizes for the Bar Crawl Game winners.

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These include:

Donnewald Distributing, Spies Sports, Robert "Chick" Fritz Distributing, Blake Kohlbracher from Constellation Brands, Brad Vogelbacher from Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirit's, and Ed & Millie's Tavern.

John Hemann, left, Grand Knight Jerry Klostermann

and Ben Brinker present Diane Boeser, a Relevant Pregnancy Options Center representative a \$575 check. (Pioneer Photos, Bill Napper)

The Jingle All the Way planning committee were: John Hemann, Ben Brinker, Tony Hemann, Mike Spies, and Ken Klostermann. This event was a tremendous success! The next Jingle All the Way Bar Crawl is December 15, 2018.

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Catholic Men's Prayer Breakfast "At the Crossroads" Male Spirituality, as Disciples and Stewards Saturday, March 3, 2018 Keynote Speaker Bishop Thomas John Paprocki Bishop of Springfield in Illinois - 8 a.m. Mass St. Paul Catholic Church 1412 9th St., Highland, II Breakfast and Speakers to follow Mass Highland Council 1580 Knights of Columbus Hall 12454 Illinois Route 143 \$16.00 per person

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

We have selected as our January Knightof-the-Month a Brother Knight for his continual service and support to the Church, our Council and to our Community.

Our brother Knight is kind, thoughtful and friendly individual who enjoys working for the Knights at the Fair Food Stand, the Sausage and Roast Beef Dinner, the Fish Fries, and the Kirchenfest. Every time you turned around, he was there, ready for the next task. Nothing seemed to be too big of a job for

He is a dedicated father, and a very devout Christian.

It is with great appreciation that we honor as the Knight of the Month for January, 2018, our brother Knight, John DeSelm.

Congratulations from the Highland Knights of Columbus, Council 1580

Senior Knight Of The Month Award

January's Senior Knight of the Month Award is given to a Brother Knight for his continued service and support to the Church, our council and our community.

Our Brother Knight has been active for many years and has been prominently active at bingo for many seasons. He is a huge asset when it comes to the work of retrieving the papers from bingo players and reviewing the players who call "Bingo!" Without this Knight, it would be a difficult evening to control the bingo

Our selection for Senior Knight of the Month for January, 2018, is Tom Koch, and we are happy & honored to have him as our Senior Knight.

Congratulations from Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

We have selected as January's Family of the Month a brother Knight who continually contributes his time and talents to the Community, the Church and the Knights of Columbus.

This Brother Knight and his

Lady are active in every aspect of the Council.

Our Family of the Month demonstrates their commitment to our Parish as a members of St Paul parish, home-schooling their children in deep religious themes, attending daily Masses. He and his wife have been ever present at the pavilion of the ball fields; he has been overseeing the gun raffle; he has

been graciously handling the incidental raffles at many events held in the KC Hall such as the 50/50 raffles for the Christmas

Family of the Month for January, 2018, our brother Knight, Tony & Beth Hemann.

Congratulations from Council 1580, Highland Knights of

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4th Degree News

My Fellow Sir Knights,

I want to apologize for no message last month, I go caught up in family and personal things and missed my deadline to be in the newsletter.

This month I want to thank all who came out for the Honor Guard and Chalice Service for Sir Knight Edwin A. Plocher RIP.

I hope that everyone had a good holiday season, and got all they wanted for Christmas. It has been real cold as of the last couple of weeks, and been rough, but we got through it and now it looks like it will warm up a bit for us.

Ash Wednesday this year is on Valen-

tines Day, so here are good wishes for you and your family as we proceed into the next season, Easter Season.

Billy Graham has been quoted as saying "Life Without God Is Like An Unsharpened Pencil-It Has No Point."

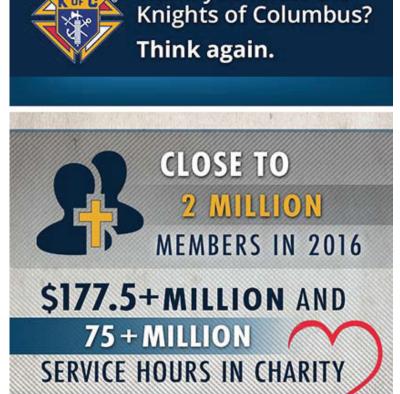
Have a wonderful Easter season... Jim Hickman Faithful Navigator

Think you know the

Your Faithful

Jim Hickman

Navigator,



Birthdays & Anniversaries



February Anniversaries

- 2 Jeffrey & Carla Dubach
- 4 Danny & Rosemary Kloss
- 5 Michael & Barbara Kuhl
- 7 Brad & Marianne Ahl-
- 7 Timothy & Kim Vincent 12 - Philip & Sharon Klostermann
- 14 Joseph & Jean Jacober
- 14 Bradley & Kristen Koehnemann
- 15 Mark & Gail Holthaus
- 16 Stephen & Linda Heimsath
- 17 Frank & Mary Jo Prusa
- 18 Robert & Margo

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20 - Paul & Sharon Warhover

27 - Kevin & Susan Buchmiller

February Birthdays

- 1 Carl Lammers
- 1 Cyril Korte
- 1 Kathy (Dennis) Keeven
- 1 Thomas Henrichs
- 2 Lynn (Thomas) Koch
- 3 Jo Ann Korte
- 3 Donna (Kenneth)

Kampwerth

- 3 Debbie (Robert) Vance
- 5 Gary Todt
- 5 Maurice Gutzler
- 5 Linda (Robert) Bollman
- 6 Dennis Tabor
- 6 Mary Jane (Leonard)
- Landmann
- 6 Nic Korte
- 6 Cheryl (Richard) Gruner
- 6 Bob Rapp
- 7 Austin Meyer
- 7 Bart Alexander 7 - Jonathan Elliott
- 7 Dorothy Stanfa
- 7 Pamela (Robert) Benda
- 7 Edith (Robert) Korte
- 7 Rodney Miller
- 8 Brendon Delaney
- 8 Therese (David) Korte
- 8 Jim Warnecke
- 8 Jeanette (Melvin) Long
- 9 Blake Kohlbrecher
- 9 Stephen Linenfelser
- 10 Lori (Jim) Gutzler
- 10 Matthew Roeper
- 10 Gail (Robert) Ohren
- 10 Robert Spengel
- 11 Bobbie Anderson

- 12 Brant Frey
- 12 Melinda (Michael) **Tarvin**
- 12 Donna (Bob) Rapp
- 12 Ted Schrage
- 12 Jeanette (Terry) Zobrist
- 12 Wilfred Marquardt
- 13 Susanne (Edward) Campbell
- 13 Jodi (Stephen) Ferguson
- 13 Bonnie (Thomas) Hill
- 14 Michelle (Darren) Spengel
- 14 Sharon (Paul) Warhover
- 15 Brad Korte
- 15 Kevin Thuenemann
- 15 Steven Rezabek
- 16 Gail (Bradford) Voss
- 16 Lori (Derek) Hacke
- 16 James Klostermann
- 16 Marcus Whelchel 16 - Thomas Kloss
- 17 Michael Tarvin
- 17 Phillip Gilomen
- 19 Carol (Gary) Richter
- 19 Karen (Thomas) Melosi
- 19 Trent Vosholler
- 20 Daniel Goggin
- 20 Melody (Daniel) Kapp
- 20 Edwin Plocher
- 20 Elaine (James) Thurnau
- 20 Jeremy Eilers
- 20 Janice Ann (R) Vogt
- 20 Robert Korte
- 20 Linda (Stephen) Heimsath
- 20 Becky (Steve) Ribbing 21 - Jene' (Christopher) Frey
- 21 Christopher Marti
- 21 Mary (Kenneth) Kapp 21 - Theresa (Peter) Tucker
- 21 Raymond Schrage
- 21 Marty Wilson III
- 22 Paula (Gerald) Rehkem-
- 22 Larry Buchheim
- 22 Maurice Kramper
- 23 Angie (Chris) Wernle
- 23 James Voss
- 23 Jerold Hohlt
- 23 Peggy (John) Elliott
- 24 Larry Widman
- 24 Kayla (Stephen) Linenfelser
- 24 Thomas Hill
- 25 James Gallatin
- 25 Kevin Stallard
- 26 Garry Werner
- 27 Michael Riffel 28 - Amy (Jared) Gilomen
- 29 Larry Essenpreis
- 29 Mark Eilers

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Join The Knights, Participate In Several Activities

Ready for the next month of the new year?

Try inviting a friend to join the Knights and have them join you in the fundraising functions of the Council of High-



Jerry Klostermann Grand Knight

Its very easy, simple and extremely rewarding, for both of you.

Not only do you have a close buddy to commiserate with at our affairs, but you can be rewarded with medallions and certificates as well.

There are always Admissions' Degree (1st degree) opportunities in the area – Edwardsville, Collinsville, Greenville, but in Highland, there is a major degree occasion on March 11at the KC Hall.

There, a new member can be inducted through all the degrees in one afternoon as well as meet many of the more notorious members at a meal afterward.

Besides enlisting new members, remember to send in your dues.

These dues are necessary for the Council to meet the charity goals of the region.

You may have been notified recently by mail, and you may return the dues by mail or bring them by the hall.

Each of the hall managers will be glad to assist you, directing the funds to the Financial Secretary. Prompt payment is very much appreciated.

Throughout January, I've been feeling the time weight upon myself.

Glo Bingo Set For Feb. 24

Don't forget to get your tickets for the Glo-Bingo on February 24.

They are \$20 in ad-

Sara Fischer



6 at 7 p.m. at the KC Hall.

Bingo pie providers: Feb.7-Peyton Dermody/

Nancy Dubach Feb.14-Dorothy Durbin/

Linda Dunker Feb.21-JoAnn Eilerman/

Feb.28-Barbara Forys/Marie Grandame

I recently became a 4th generation person, welcoming a great-grandson into the family. I asked myself, I says: "Self, how come the clock moves so fast?" Well, that brings thoughts of preparing for his future to the forefront of my attention. Not to say that my attention is easily distracted by gurgles and baby-coos, but will he get the opportunities for education that so many of us had to search for funding to get? Will his parents have the resources to bring him to soccer practice and get all that equipment? Will he have all the books, the ball gear, the music instruments and warm clothes and shoes that he needs to grow out of? Will he get to see my picture on the wall at the KC Hall in Highland, and want to have his picture on the same wall some day?

I suppose I should let you all in on the secret – I am directing you all to make plans for the future by contacting our insurance agent, Luke Niemeyer, for a review of your needs.

I have, and he has helped me immensely! I am very appreciative for his service and his office.

I have to throw out the obligatory congratulations to our Knights' awardees: thank you very much for your help and good work: Tony and Beth Hemann as January's Family of the Month,

Tom Koch as our Senior Knight of the Month in January, and our Knight of the Month for January, John DeSelm.

If you read this and have not picked up your certificate, I wish you would come by the KC Hall or see me while working at any one of our functions to get your sheet.

We always put a lot of effort in our selection and the document is very impressive. Worthy to be framed and placed on your "I-Love-Me-Wall." I have one for all my accolades and photos of hanging out with important people.

In February, we shall begin our Lenten responsibilities by providing a fish fry on Ash Wednesday and every Friday until Easter.

The Council is asking for all members to sign up at the hall, by phone or email at highlandke. org, to leave a note about which days you may be available to work in the kitchen or at the serving line.

We shall again have fried and baked cod, shrimp, crab ragoon and several selections of side dishes. Carry-outs will be available too.

As for March, there is the Bishop's Dinner and the Men's Prayer Breakfast. Volunteers for both events are very much appreciated as are participants

Well, what do you think of this weather, one week we're hibernating...

Ken Klostermann

Well, what do you think of this weather, one week we're hibernating because it's too cold and next week we're thinking about what we are going to put out in the garden.

Ok, that may be a little extreme.

But, we know where we live, if we're not already use to it, we should be.

With this warm weather in mind, it gets me to

Columbus Club President

thinking about our ballfields and the scheduling of events out there.

It looks like we're going to have a very full year in regards to the fields and concession stands.

The meetings are already taking place for the scheduling of games and concession stand workers. This is quite an undertaking in itself.

Please keep an open mind when a member approaches you and ask if you'd be interested in helping at the concession stand. Think about it, and say yes.

Once you're out there and see everything going on, you'll be glad you came out, it's really a good time!

Other than that, I really have nothing else to report on behalf of Columbus club.

Everything appears to be running smoothly.

We do have a bit of maintenance and general cleanup around the hall, ballfields and the property.

We will soon be picking a work day, or two, to get these projects done.

Hopefully, we can get the message out to all the members and their families.

We can make this a great day for fellowship.

I hope everybody enjoys this weather, whether the thermometer goes up or comes down, it's all the gift from our Lord!

May the Lord watch out for each and everyone of you!

Ken Klostermann President, Columbus Club or workers

I'm always impressed by the amount of involvement from this Council in these missions.

Be certain to look over the ads in the diocesan paper, local papers and this newsletter.

Finally, I want to thank everyone who worked the chicken dinner.

The dinner was very successful with more than 900 dinners served.

Spread Joy: Join The Knight Time Singers

By Bill Napper

One of the missions of the Knights of Columbus is to spread the joy of being a Catholic gentleman.

This is done in many ways through working in various ministries within the Church. One way to bring the joy of Christ to others is to become a member of the Knights of Columbus and participate in many activities including the Knight Time Singers , a group who visits local nursing homes to entertain residents. Contact any Knight for details.

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Memo From The Financial Secretary

It is time to pay your 2018

dues. 2nd Notice Statements were mailed out January 19.

You can pay your dues at the hall any day from 8 am



Martin Klostermann Financial Secretary

to noon or during our Wednesday Night Bingo.

Regular members are \$30.00 per year; Students dues are \$20 per year, Honorary Members pay \$10.00 per year, Honorary Life Members pay no dues.

Fourth Degree dues are an additional \$15

You can also mail your dues to:

Martin Klostermann, F.S. P.O. Box 195 Highland, IL 62249

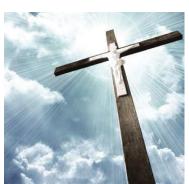
Hats Off



Hats Off to Knight of the Month for January, 2018, our brother Knight, John DeSelm!

Hat's Off to Tom Koch! He has been selected as our Senior Knight of the Month for January, 2018!

Hat's Off to Tony and Beth Hemann who have been chosen as our Family of the Month for January, 2018!



OUR CONDOLENCES

To Shirley Bellm on the loss of her husband, Brother Knight Denis Bellm

To Brother Knight Pete Feldman on the loss of his wife, Sandra C. "Sandy" Feldmann

To Anna Wilhelmina (nee Korte) Plocher on the loss of her husband, Brother Knight Edwin "Ed" Auten Plocher

To Brother Knights Gene Plocher, David Plocher, and Robert Plocher on the loss of their father, Brother Knight Edwin "Ed" Plocher

To Kaye Plocher, wife of Brother Knight James Plocher (PGK) (Deceased), on the loss of her father-in-law Brother Knight Edwin "Ed" Plocher

To Brother Knights Gene Plocher, and Robert Plocher, on the loss of their father Brother Knight Edwin "Ed" Plocher

To Jennifer Whitten, wife of Brother Knight Tim Whitten, Brother Knights Scott Plocher, Chad Plocher, and Ed Plocher on the loss of their grandfather Brother Knight Edwin "Ed" Plocher

St. Paul Parishioners Join Others in March For Life

By Bill Napper

HIGHLAND - Several students from Highland who attend Mater Dei High School in Breese attended the 45th annual March for life in Washington, D.C., over Friday.

The group left Highland, Thursday after mass and a blessing from Father Pat Jakel before going to Our Lady of the Snows where they joined with Don Lugge, who has been the leader and bus captain for several years.

The mood and trip theme was set when the Bishop of Belleville, the Reverend Edward Braxton gave the group a reflection on the gift of life.

The group left around 10 a.m. and watched pro-life videos and discussed issues and laws on the prolife movement. With little sleep, they arrived in Washington around 6 a.m. at the Capitol area for a rally and youth mass.

"It was very full," said Rose Wascher, Pro-Life Ministry Coordinator for St. Paul Church.

"There were thousands of people from all over the nation," she added.

"The kids were very impressed to see the hundreds of priests and sisters," she said.

Among the 37 riders on the bus were 26 youth, with 21 of them from Mater Dei Catholic High School, three from Notre Dame High School in St. Louis, one student from Guilbault High School and one from Breese Central High School.

"It was a beautiful day for the march, with 45-degree weather," Wascher said, who has been to several previous marches. "The street and even the sidewalks were packed."

President Donald Trump and Vice President Mike Pence spoke. Hundreds of the participants both catholic and non catholic students attended.

"Everyone was so excited and happy to hear the president, because we finally have a pro life president," said Joan Riffel, who was one of the chaperons.

"We felt there were more participants there this year than in the past," she added.

The president as well as the Vice President spoke from the Rose Garden.

Speaker of the House Paul Ryan also spoke and he was actually at the mall with the marchers,

Wascher said the goal is to continue to educate everyone about the horror of abortion.

Wascher also said the fight to end abortion has to be fought on a local level.

Every Saturday a group of Highland people travel to the abortion clinic in Granite City to pray and to offer an alternative to those who may be contemplating having an abortion.

"I think there were more people there than I have ever seen who were seeking an abortion. One person even shoved a person who was praying," Wascher said. "He immediately forgave the person and continued praying in a non-violent method," she said,

Wascher said they need to educate people to not be afraid of violence. "This thing (killing of children) will never be a thing of the past," she added.

Wascher has hope and faith for the future, "These kids are a prolife generation," she said and added that some people have been brain washed that a baby is "just a piece of tissue."

Many news accounts noted that this year's march was the largest that has ever been held in it's 45-year history. It was noted that as President Trump was speaking two bald eagles flew over the group and some of them thought this was a sign from God signifying goodness and strength.

Maybe so ... the battle for life continues.



Marching For Life

The Pioneer Newspaper/ Contributed

Local students gather for a photo Friday before heading to Washington, D.C. to attend the March For Life.



Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580 February 2018



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| | | | | 1 Euchre 7:30PM | 2 Groundhog Day Boy Scout "Know It All" Trivia Open 5:30pm | 3 Shoal Creek Whitetail | | |
| Spelling Bee 12:30pm | 5 4th Degree Meeting 7:30 PM | Ladies Auxillary 7:00PM | 7 Bingo 7:00PM Steve & Carla Roper Matthew Roeper Roeper Family Bartender: Derick Burns | 8 Euchre 7:30PM Council Officer's Meeting 7:00 PM Columbus Club Executive Meeting 8:00PM | Madison County Farm Bureau 5:00am - 6:00 pm | 10 | | |
| 11 | 12 Lincoln's B-Day | Council Meeting | 14 Bingo 7:00PM Tim Korte John & Jean DeSalm Bruce & Geri Johnson Bartender: Mike Carroll | 15 Euchre 7:30PM Fish Fry 4:30-7:30 | 16 Chinese New Year Fish Fry 4:30pm - 7:30pm St Joseph Cardiac Rehab Glo-Bingo | 17 | | |
| 18 | 19 Presidents' Day Knight Time Signers Faith Contryside Appartments 7:00pm | 20 | 21 Bingo 7:00PM Lee Wellen, Bill Trickey Lowell Wellen Gary Todt Bartender: Derick Burns | 22 Euchre 7:30PM | 23 Fish Fry 4:30pm - 7:30pm | Glo Bingo KofC Ladies Auxiliary Open 5:30pm Starts 7:00pm | | |
| Boy Scout Blue & Gold Banquet | 26 | 27 | 28 Bingo 7:00PM Ray & Pat Korte Wayne Henze Bartender: Gary Graminski | | | | | |



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| 4 Special Olympics Region 2 | 5 4th Degree Meeting 7:30 PM | Ladies Auxillary 7:00PM | 7 Bingo 7:00PM Gene Bruggemann Ralph & Mary Bruggemann Jim & Dorothy Kampwerth Bartender: Dereck Burns | 8 Euchre 7:30PM Council Officer's Meeting 7:00 PM Columbus Club Executive Meeting 8:00PM | 9 Fish Fry 4:30pm - 7:30pm | National Wild Turkey |
| 11 Daylight Saving Major Degree 1:00 PM | 12 | | 14 Bingo 7:00PM Rich & Diane Boeser Herbert & Shirley Weis M. & C. Grapperhaus Bartender: Mike Carroll | 15 Euchre 7:30PM | Fish Fry 4:30pm - 7:30pm | 17 St. Patrick's Day Highland Fire Department |
| 18 Bishop's Dinner 11:30am Mass 1:00PM Lunch | 19 Knight Time Singers Highland Health Care (26th) 7:00 PM | 20 Vernal equinox | 21 Bingo 7:00PM Butch & Aggie Wellen Marion Bohnak, Wayne Henze Bartender: Dereck Burns | 22 Euchre 7:30PM | 23 Fish Fry 4:30pm - 7:30pm | 24 Wedding |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 Bingo 7:00PM Tom Ahlmeyer Wayne Moore Tony Tebbe Lowell Wellen | 29 Euchre 7:30PM | 30 Good Friday Fish Fry 4:30pm - 7:30pm | 31 |

Gary Graminski