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Knights Recieve Awards For Years of Faithful Service



Russell Rieke Sr., Wayne Moore, Wayne Branger, James McDermott and Ralph Bruggemann accepts Honorary Life Membership awards.



Honorary member Ed Geier accepts his award.



Anthony Budde, left, accepts 25 year awards for his sons **Lieutenant Colonel Christopher** Budde and Anthony Budde, Jr. **Eugene Mac Clayton accepts his** 25 year award as well.



Members Russell Rieke and Vern Rakers accept 50 Year Awards.

First Annual "Cosmic Bags" Tournament Set

The first ever indoor 'COSMIC BAGS' Tournament at the KC Hall, Friday, January 6. Registration fee is \$40 for two man teams. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. with registration taking place until 7 p.m. There will be food, drinks, 50/50 raffle and bags set giveaway. No outside food or alcohol will be allowed in. Tournament begins at 7 p.m. and ends when winner is determined. For more information call Ben Brinker at 618/447-6532 or email benjamyn.brinker@ yahoo.com. PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE "KNIGHTS FOR LIGHTS" FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN. This event will be very well attended so signup early! Call or email Ben today!

Knights Donate To HACSM, Food Pantry



Coats For Kids Knight Times Photo Highland KC Council #1580 Grand Knight Jerry Klostermann delivers the "Coats For Kids" from the Highland Knights of Columbus to HACSM, to Diana Williams of the Highland area Christian service ministry, just in time for Christmas.

Volunteers Needed At Weekly Bingo Games

Help is needed on Wednesdays throughout the month to

help with different jobs for our weekly bingos. Grab some

friends and pick a 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, or 5th Wednesday

raiser. This is one of the ways we generate funds to donate to the worthy causes throughout our community and state.

to assist us

in this fund

There is a need for BIN-GO callers, individuals to sell BINGO cards, kitchen workers, bar tenders, and workers on the floor during BIN-GO.

If you don't have time to commit monthly just come out and assist when you can.

Contact Dave Gall by calling 1-618-973-7401 to volunteer.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Senior Knight of The Month

December'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 is a longtime member in good standing, having had the insight to join our Order in 1948. He and his lady have farmed in this area over their entire career. They have raised their children to be respectful and to use the land respectfully. They are faithful to our Church. They have been constant helpers in the fundraising events and support our bingo as players as team members. Always unassuming, this Brother Knight would give and take with everyone. He is the model Knight for all of us.

It is with great pleasure that we have selected Cyril 'Cy' Weis as our December, 2016 Senior Knight of the Month.

Congratulations from Council 1580.

Family Of The Month

We have selected, as December'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.

The Family of the Month demonstrates their commitment to our Parish as devote members of St Paul parish. He and his Lady are Eucharistic Ministers, and their children are servers for Mass. One child attends Mater Dei Catholic high school, and the other attends St Paul School.

This Brother Knight, his Lady and children are assets to the council as examples of Christian family life. Together they participate in the fundraisers such as: Fish Fry's, Chicken Dinner, Madison County Fair and Kirchenfest. He is key to providing the Audio & Visual apparatus for the St Paul Auc-

It is with deep appreciation that we have selected Frank & Gina, Steven and Sarah Lipski, as our Family of the Month for December, 2016.

Congratulations from Council 1580.

Knight Of The Month

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

This Brother is a dedicated member of the council having only recently been initiated into the 2nd (Formation) and 3rd (Knighthood) degrees this past fall. He is looking forward to opportunities to serve the Council in the fundraisers which was demonstrated at the recent Kirchenfest.

He is a faith-filled member of St Paul Parish, serves as a Eucharistic Minister and Hospitality Minister. He is a member of the Eucharistic Adoration team. This Knight is also a Cursillo

Team as an auxiliary.

It is with great appreciation we have selected Derek Kloss as our Knight of the Month for December, 2016. Congratulations from the Highland Knights of member and has served on a Columbus Council 1580

Ladies Auxiliary News

Hoping your Advent and Christmas seasons were very special ones for you. As we wind up the Christmas season in a few days,

let's take stock of where we've been in the last year and where we're going in 2017. Take a few moments to reflect in prayer on how you allowed God to change you; how you are becoming the best version of yourself; what are your dreams and how can God help you accomplish them; Ladies Auxiliary where might God be leading you to serve Him in



Kathy Lohman

the upcoming year? Ponder these questions in your heart just like Mary pondered all things and you will find the answers you need.

Upcoming bingo pie providers are: Feb. 1-Gina Lipski

Jan. 4-Trisha Korte Jan. 11-Helen Lammers Jan. 18-Olivia Landmann

Jan. 25-Julie Linenfelser

Community, & Church.

Feb. 8-Kathy Lohman Feb. 15-Annie Lutostanski Feb. 22-Cecilia Miller

Mark your calendars for the Knights Sip & Swirl Soiree on Jan. 21. It sounds like fun! Also January 22 for the Knights Chicken Dinner. Please bring two pies to help make this a success for the Knights. March 23 is our first Glo-in-the-Dark Bingo. Get your tables ready and purchase your tickets now! Our next meeting is Tuesday, January 3 at 7 p.m. at the KC Hall. Come on out and bring a friend and see what good things the Auxiliary is accomplishing!

4th Degree Notes

I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. It is resolution time for the next year. Let's all resolve to make this an even better year for our organization,

Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance

Don't forget the Valentine's Dinner planned for February 11th, 2017. Plan a great evening with your significant other. This year we are inviting the 3rd Degree membership as well as the 4th Degree. We are hoping to make this a great eve-



ning with our fellow Knights of Columbus members throughout the area. The cost is \$25 per person and will include social hour drinks, dinner, music, and dancing for all.

Please contact the hall or sign up at the hall for reservations.

Exemplification to 4th Degree

The annual Exemplification at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows will be hosted by the Edwardsville Assembly. The ceremony will be at Belleville on February 18th, 2017. Any 3rd Degree Knights that would like to become members of the 4th degree are asked to contact Herb Durbin at (618) 654-6754 for an application.

Sincerely, Herb Durbin Jr. Faithful Navigator



Birthdays & Anniversaries

January Birthdays

- 1 Cory Frey
- 1 Kevin Goring
- 1 Linda (Linus) Marti
- 2 Lucy (Thomas) Henrichs
- 2 Jennifer (Mike) Range
- 3 Joe Dant
- 3 Ethel (Larry) Korte
- 3 Laura (Daniel) Levad 4 - John Etter
- 5 Michelle (Steven) Ficker
- 5 Tracy (Gary) Frey
- 5 Philip Hereford
- 5 Mark Perkins
- 5 Stephen Roeper
- 6 Philip Klostermann
- 7 Michael Ammann
- 7 Ryan Henrichs
- 7 Paul Kustermann
- 7 Shirley (Ronald) Massey
- 8 Richard Boeser
- 8 Margie (William) Duncan
- 8 David Korte
- 8 Timothy Korte
- 8 Trisha (Kent) Korte
- 8 Steve Ribbing
- 8 Mark Voss
- 8 Vernell Wellen
- 9 Richard Sanvi
- 10 Madonna (Edward) Fischer
- 10 Michael Jacober
- 10 Linda (Henry) Jaeger
- 10 Daniel Kapp
- 10 Robert Quade
- 10 Linda (Herbert) Tebbe
- 10 Emmie (Melvin) Walter
- 10 Linda (Morris) Zobrist
- 11 Donna (Thomas) Ahlmeyer
- 11 Edward Gagen
- 11 James Haberer
- 11 William Twyford
- 11 Kim (Timothy) Vincent
- 11 Barbara (Larry) Weiss
- 12 Kenneth Heimann
- 12 Orville Landmann
- 12 Shirley (Herbert) Weis
- 12 Lee Wellen
- 13 Steven Brendel
- 13 David Long
- 13 Lee Rinderer
- 13 Chad Wolters
- 14 Ceil (Steven) Kloss
- 15 Connie (Marvin) Potthast 15 - Sandy (Stephen) Prusa
- 16 Derek Kloss
- 16 Lois (Wayne) Moore
- 16 Laurie (Mark) Shimer
- 17 Mark Korte
- 18 Bruce Capelle
- 18 Dorothy (Herbert) Durbin
- 18 Mary Kay (Michael) Durbin
- 18 Steven Ficker SR
- 18 Laurie (Keith) Frank
- 18 Jacob Gutzler 20 - Erin (Aaron) Hopfinger
- 20 Kathy (Kenneth) Kloster-
- 21 Kenneth Klostermann
- 21 Alphonse Olliges
- 22 Michael Carroll
- 22 Nicholas Hanna
- 22 Ethel (Francis) Poettker
- 23 Joseph Jacober
- 23 Jerry Sugg
- 23 Virgil Wilke
- 24 Duane Gilomen 24 - Julie (Robert) Hammer
- 25 Randy Dickman

- 25 Robert Wessel
- 26 Michael Capelle
- 26 Patrick Maguire
- 26 Kurt Schriewer
- 27 Timothy Korte
- 27 Joan (Terrence) Riffel
- 27 Gerald Thole
- 28 Kenneth Klaus
- 28 Frank Prusa

- 30 Jane (Cyril) Korte
- 30 Warren Walter
- 30 Arthur Warnecke JR
- 31 Elvina (John) Gantner
- 31 Marcy (Thomas) Koch
- 31 Maureen (William) Napper

January Anniversaries

- 5 James & Gina Nicoloff
- 9 Edwin & Cheryl Haselhorst
- 15 Daniel & Dilnawaz Stack
- 24 Wayne & Debra Keeven
- 24 Clarence & Ruth Korte
- 29 Richard & Connie Sanvi

OUR

CONDOLENCES

Plocher and especially his wife Janie, on the loss of her mother, Joetta Korte

To Sir Knights John and Dan

To Sharon Smith Boyer on the loss of her husband, Brother Knight, Robert Boyer

MEMO FROM THE

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

the hall any day from 8 a.m. to noon or during our Special Bingo, January 4 or the Chicken Dinner, January 22th. You

> Martin Klostermann, F.S. 35 Jason's Pointe, Unit B Highland, IL 62249

Regular members are \$30 per year, Fourth Degree dues are an additional \$15, Students pay \$20, Honorary Members pay \$10 per year, Honorary Life Members pay no dues. Military Members pay no dues.

> Financial Secretary Martin Klostermann Cell: 618-806-3697

Email:

mhklostermann@gmail.com



1 - Mark Voegele

29 - Joe Barth

29 - Kathleen (Larry) Essenpreis 30 - Matthew Bochantin

30 - Mary (Ralph) Bruggemann

30 - Scott Geest

31 - Bobbie (David) Melosi

- 3 Robert & Gloria Schwarz
- 5 Donald & Terry Mc Call
- 5 Edwin & Ann Plocher
- 9 Gary & Laurie Todt
- 16 David & Ruth Korte
- 27 Jim & Lori Gutzler

To Brother Knight Eugene

Kapp on the loss of their uncle, Nelson Kapp

Happy New Year! With the New Year, it is time to pay your 2017 dues. Statements were mailed earlier in December.

You can pay your dues at can also mail your dues to:

Columbus Club Elects New Officers

The Columbus Club elected Officers for 2017, On December 8.

It is with great pleasure that I inform you that the following Brother Knights have stepped up and



Joe Wetmore

have been elected to the following leadership positions.

Brother Knight Ken Klostermann has been elected as the new Columbus Club President. Ken brings with him a wealth of experience as a leader, many new ideas and is committed to the continuing development of the Columbus Club. Again, exciting times are directly ahead!

Brother Knight Bill Napper has been elected as the Vice President and is eager to begin his new role as well. He is an "idea man," and yes, he has some truly great ideas.

Brother Knight Mike Carroll will again be fulfilling the role as Secretary and we are all very much appreciative for him answering that call for another term.

We also have a new Treasurer for this term. Brother Knight Shanon Autry has been elected for this position and is looking forward to leading the Club in this role. He has already begun getting his feet wet as he gave our financial report last month.

Congratulations to all of our new officers for the coming year. The new Columbus Club board is poised and ready to provide our members with excellent leadership and some truly exciting times ahead.

I wanted to take this opportunity to share with you that our initiative to light the ball fields has been voted on and has been unanimously approved by the membership at our last Columbus Club meeting held after the Council 1580 business meeting December 13.

The Columbus Club would like to express sincere gratitude to all who have been working so diligently on this project. Also, thanks to all members who are getting behind this remarkable endeavor.

We are continuing to prepare for our 'Knights for Lights' fundraiser being held on Friday, January 6. This event will be our first ever indoor 'COSMIC BAGS' Tournament at the KC

HATS OFF

To Brother Cyril 'Cy' Weis as our Dec., 2016 Senior Knight of the Month and

to Frank and Gina, Steven and Sarah Lipski, as for being selected as our Family of the Month for Dec., 2016.

Finally, Hats Off to Derek Kloss who has been selected as our Knight of the Month for Dec., 2016.

Hall. Registration fee is \$40.00 for two man teams. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with registration taking place until 7:00 p.m. There will be food, drinks, 50/50 raffle and bags set giveaway. DJ services will be provided by Brother Knight Charley Luber. No outside food or alcohol will be allowed in. For more information call Ben Brinker

at 618/447-6532 or email benjamyn.brinker@yahoo.com.

We also have one more fundraiser to mention this month. Many of you may have already seen the flyers for our 'Gun of the Month Raffle.' Your Columbus Club will be raffling off one gun per month beginning in April at the CC Officer's meeting. There are 16 chances to win, (one gun per month for 1 year & 4 additional \$200 cash prizes as soon as 600 tickets are sold). No more than 800 tickets will be sold overall and they are going fast. Winning tickets will be put back in for future chances to win. Tickets are \$20 each and are available at the KC Hall lounge. Do not hesitate to take part in this event and as I

previously mentioned - tickets are going fast! Proceeds will be used to fund the "Knights for Lights" (lighting for our youth ball fields) project. Call Tony Hemann at 618-410-2526 or Gary Stone, Jr. at 618-410-3179 for more information.

Joe Wetmore, Columbus Club Immediate Past President



Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580 JANUARY 2017



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
New Year's Day	2 4th Degree Meeting 7:30 PM	3 Ladies Auxillary 7:00PM	Ralph Bruggemann Jim & Dorothy Kampwerth Bartender:	5 Euchre 7:30PM Columbus Club Executive Meeting 7:00PM Council Officer's Meeting 8:00PM	Cosmic Bags Tournament Indoor 5:30 Registration	7 Shriners
Boy Scout Breakfast 8:00 AM	9 Stewards of Hope Beck's Hybrid Noon - 3pm Boy Scouts	Council Meeting 7:30 PM	11 Bingo 7:30PM Cy & Delores Weis Herbert & Shirley Weis Frances Luitjohan Bartender: Jim Kampwerth	12 Euchre 7:30PM	Glo Bingo 5:30 PM	14
15	16 ML King Day Knight Time Singers Highland Home 1600 Walnut 7:00 PM	17	18 Bingo 7:30PM Butch & Aggie Wellen Marion Bohnak, Bartender: Derek Burns	19 Euchre 7:30PM	20 Relevant Pregnancy Care Center Trivia 7:00 PM	Bourbon, Wine Beer Tasting Begins at 5:00 PM
Chicken Dinner 10:30 am - 5:30 pm	Boy Scouts	24	25 Bingo 7:30PM Tom Ahlmeyer Wayne Moore Tony Tebbe,Lowell Wellen Bartender: Gary Graminski	26 Euchre 7:30PM	St Paul Auction / Dinner 5:00 PM	28
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Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580 FEBRUARY 2017



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			l Bingo 7:30PM Steve & Carla Roper and Family Bartender: Derek Burns	2 Groundhog Day Euchre 7:30PM	Boy Scouts Trivia 6:00 PM	Shoal Creek White Tail
5 35th Spelling Bee Noon Registration	4th Degree Meeting 7:30 PM	7 Ladies Auxillary 7:00PM	8 Bingo 7:30PM Jerry Genteman Tim Korte Henry & Linda Jaeger Bartender: Jim Kampwerth	9 Euchre 7:30PM Columbus Club Executive Meeting 7:00PM Council Officer's Meeting 8:00PM	10 St Joseph Hosp Cardiac Rehab GLO BINGO 6:00 PM	4th Degree Valentines Dinner / Dance
2 Lincoln's B-Day	Boy Scouts	14 Valentines Day Council Meeting 7:30 PM	15 Bingo 7:30PM Lee Wellen, Gary Todt Lowell Wellen Terry Deichmann Bartender: Derek Burns	16 Euchre 7:30PM	17	18
9 Bishop's Dinner 1:00 PM	20 Presidents' Day Knight Time Singers Villa St James Breese 7:00 PM	21	22 Bingo 7:30PM Bingo 7:30PM Ray & Pat Korte Wayne Moore Bartender: Gary Graminski	23 Euchre 7:30PM	St Paul 6th Grade Trivia Night 6:00 PM	St Jerome Winter Ball
26	Blue & Gold Banquet	28				
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Chicken Worker List - Sunday Jan. 22, 2017

CHAIRMAN: Jerry Klostermann

FOOD COMMITTEE: Dave Gall (654-3110), Dave Korte, Butch Wellen

TIME: 10:30 - 5:30

MENU: Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Dressing, Cole

Slaw, Apple Sauce, and Homemade Desserts.

Call Captains should remind workers on their shift to bring two pies or cakes. Selling Tickets 10:00-2:00 Bob Rapp Tom Spengel Don Rutz Don Tschannen Sr. Terry Riffel Mark Stephens Taking Tickets 10:00-2:00

Selling Tickets 2:00-6:00 Taking Tickets 2:00-6:00

Ron Linenfelser Jack Landolt

Paul West Frank Prusa Lowell Wellen Ken Wagner

FRYER CREW 8:30 - 2:00 CHAIRMAN AND CALL CAPTAIN – Carl Rutz Armando Orozco Jerry Prusa Gerald Thole Larry Widman Mike Widman Steve Rezabek Garry Werner

KITCHEN HELP 8:30 - 2:00 CALL CAPTAIN - Mike Noe

Tim Lucia Lou Renko Francis Robben Jerry Prusa Kevin Thuenemann Scott Troxel Don Tschannen Jr. Tim Vincent Herb Weis Ty Renko

FRYER CREW 2:00 - 6:30 CHAIRMAN & CALL CAPTAIN -Ron Zbinden Buddy Poettker Dave Rutz Orville Voegele Marty Wilson

KITCHEN HELP 2:00 - 6:30 CALL CAPTAIN – Terry Marks

Art Timmermann Hank Shannon Larry Rensing Brian Marks Kenneth Rutz Tony Tebbe Chris Voegele Homer Rusteberg Randy Van Hatten Jeremy Wildhaber David Zobrist

SETUP CREW 9:30 - 1:30 CHAIRMAN – James Voss

Paul Musenbrock Phil Hereford Carl Neier Charles Peters Vern Rakers Justin Robitsch Ray Schrage Andrew Schrage Keith Vogt Robert Schwarz Sam Schwarztrauber Denis Bellm

CARRY OUTS 10:00 - 2:00 CALL CAPTAIN - Dave Rakers

Mac Clayton Mark Richter Leonard Landmann Dale Wellen Herb Tebbe George Marron III

CARRY OUTS 2:00 - 6:00 CALL CAPTAIN -

Darrell Luitjohan Robert Quade Mel Walter Warren Walter

Bartender 10:00 – 2:00 Stan Wilke Bartender 2:00 – 6:00 Jim Kampwerth

CLEAN UP CREW 5 pm –6:30 CHAIRMAN & CALL CAPTAIN –Robert Melosi Dave Melosi Rich Melosi Tom Melosi Jeff Miller Steve Peters Mike Spies William Straeter Terry Zobrist Ryan Melosi Mike Range Mike Riffel Bob Melosi John Melosi This year we will use our phone tree system to remind the membership of our chicken dinner and to check the Council's newsletter workers list for your assigned work schedule. If you are not assigned to work, please plan on coming out and supporting your Council's charitable endeavors.

DINING ROOM 10:30 - 2:30 CHAIRMAN -Jerry Klostermann

(Call Captains: top person above each row) Frank Lipski Mike Nuxoll Tracy Poehling **Brad Scott** Lee Rinderer Terry Lammers Timothy McGinley Aaron Poehling Patrick McGuire Keith Poss Rick Ringwald Chris La France Robert Luitjohan Gerald Potthast Dale Rommerskirchen Joel La France Frank Milos Myron Potthast Mike Rongey Carl Lammers Brian Ruffini Wayne Moore Matt Powers Brian Lammers Terry Moore Steve Prusa Brad Sauls Roger Landmann Dan Neier Leonard Rakers Jason Scott Joseph Laporta Bill Nettles Lenny Rakers James Scholl Robert Lemp Darrel Newman Leonard Rakers Sr. Chad Schrage Arthur Schulte Tom Nolte Brian Ramsey

Michael Lengermann Daniel Levad Gerald Rehkemper Harold Schwarz **Brad Obermark** Richard Liening Robert Ohren Larry Reidelberger Robert Schwarz, Jr Mel LongFrank Padak Steve Ribbing Alan Winkeler Gary Richter Larry Lucco Mark Perkins III Anthony Sinnock Todd Luitjohan Daniel Phalen Franklin Rick Jeffrey Smart Randy Luitjohan Chad Plocher Randy Riggs Steve Sraggs Chad Schrage Eugene Plocher Dan Stack Scott Riggs David Perica Matt Plocher Jeremy Synder Greg Stoff Willfred Marquardt Robert Plocher Scott Stahlhut Dennis Tabor

Don McCall

DINING ROOM 2:30 - 6:30 CHAIRMAN - Jerry Klostermann (Call Captains: top person above each row)

Chris Martz, Virgil Wilke, Preston Shinn, Steve Roeper, Mike Tarvin

Scott Plocher

Frank Zuccarelli Lee Trame Bill Zobrist Anthony Russo John Todt Glen Walter Brad White Brent Sandberg Jeff Trame Greg Walter Kim White Donald Schmitz Max Rudolph Ben Wick Scott Wick Arnold Schrage Kyle Troxell John Ward Mike Wiedner Paul Warhover James Wiegand Roger Schrage Rich Tscherney Ted Schrage Matt Wiegand Peter Tucker James Warnecke Christ Schwarz Robert Vance William Warnecke Chad Wolters Kelly Verfurth Jon Seefeldt Vincent Watts John Wolters Mark Shimer Jay Wildhaber James Vidmar Jerry Weber Tim Singler Mike Zaloga Mike Wetzel Larry Weiss Larry Siverly John Voegele Richard Weiss Nick Zaloga Kevin Stallard Mark Voegele Lee Wellen Phillip Zampogna Tony Zappia Brad Steinkoenig Michael Voegele Mark Wellen Mike Tebbe Jerry Vosholler Travis Wellen Terry Zeisset David Thole Alan Zobrist **Brad Voss** Robert Wessel Lee Voss Jeff Thole Stanley Wessel Tim Whitten Leonard Thole Ray Voss Todd Wessel Tom Zobrist Ron Thole Kenneth Wagner Jim Stuckenberg Kent Zobrist George Whaley David Thole William Wagner Marshall Todt James Thurnau Dan Wallace Luke Wellen Gary Todt

Grand Knight

Opportunities Abound For Knights, Their Families

Br-r-r-!! Its cold. I wish everyone a warm, though belated, Merry Christmas and a Happy



Jerry Klostermann

the fall, I recently returned

New Year!

I was sur-

prised to

get this icy

cold snap

so late in

after a career in Texas and must remind myself, that "I'm not down in the South no more."

Although its the end of another year, it really is the beginning as this is the beginning of another Knights of Columbus calendar year and a time for making resolutions to assist your fellow Knights and Council in upcoming fund-raisers, get-togethers, planning and meetings.

Your assistance is needed immediately after New Years at the Special Bingo, on January 4.

Beginning at 7:30 p.m., this bingo is big, well-attended, and workers are always appreciated. The kitchen work is not difficult, merely getting some utensils dirty and then cleaning them. Working on the floor is just as easy and rewarding. All the bingo players are polite and thankful for the paper pickup or pay-out of prizes.

Next comes the Cosmic Bags Tournament on Jan 6.

The event has the makings of an awesome fund-raising opportunity. Come to the inaugural of the Cosmic Bags and work or be part of the event with the Knights-for-Lights ball field committee. This event will be made possible because of the hard work which the committee has done to bring new use to the ballfields. The success of the softball championship played last summer showed us there is a need to provide a place where our members and St. Paul students can play ball.

The Cosmic Bags game is a game similar to Washers, however it may be played indoors.

Gerald Steinkoenig

Just before the Annual Chicken Dinner on the fourth Sunday in January, the "Sip & Swirl Soirèe" wine, beer and bourbon tasting fund-raising affair will take place on Saturday, January 21. We certainly can use volunteers who not only participate, but are willing to stay out a little longer to rearrange the KC Hall for the chicken dinner that will be held on Sunday, January 22.

Be certain to check out the workers' list for the Chicken Dinner. If your last name begins with "L" through "Z," you have that opportunity to fulfill a role at the KC Hall.

Lent begins March 1. The

Lenten Fish Fry's are starting on the Friday before Ash Wednesday, and continuing on the next seven Fridays. The workers' list is being compiled. Are you a leader? Do you want to claim a particular Friday to work? Contact the KC Hall, 618-654-9049. Besides the kitchen and serving line workers, we deliver to shut-ins and nursing homes. Come and be part of an elite team.

Let's continue to talk about volunteers. We are a Charitable Organization, and our funding for these charities come from these dinners and the other events. Our ruleof-thumb is all the members are expected to work at one, or both, annual dinners. The lists are provided to let everyone take part in the activities, and have a break to enjoy the dinners. However, the members available for the Chicken Dinner have the letter "L" through "Z" beginning the last name. Last names beginning with an "A" through "K" worked at the October Pork Sausage.

Being a member also means volunteering. Sometimes it is necessary to call upon the membership to fill the ranks to complete an immediate mission. That is the reason for the workers lists. And, it's split to provide evenness between the two major dinners in the fall and the winter. Individually assembled teams can be made for our other food-centered affairs: the Madison County Fair food stand, the Lenten Fish Fry's and Kirchenfest. The Jim Plocher Kirchenfest Fry team is just such a team of Knights and men who continue to provide a memorable service in August each year.

Bring a friend and show off the KC Hall to him. We have a full-sized ballroom, a well-stocked lounge and a long history of contributing to the Highland Community. We have many other functions that may be of interest to new members.

Over the weekend of December 18, the Knights went to several nursing homes and St Joseph Hospital singing Christmas carols. The Knights of Columbus is ready to accept any men who enjoy coming together to work and play.

Looking over the past month, the Knights held their Annual Christmas Party.

Congratulations to our members who have been recognized for their faith and leadership.

Their names have been added to the rolls of the annual awards plaques in the meeting room. They also received a personal plaque to take home to share with loved-ones.

Special recognition of the Ladies' Appreciation Award was given to Olivia Landmann.

The Family of the Year goes to Russell and Diane Kloss and family.

The Senior Knight of the Year is Vern Rakers.

Our Lady of the Year is Rose Clarkin.

The Knight of the Year is Joe

Would you like to be considered for an award? Knights of the Month are awarded at each meeting.

Come on board and participate in the council events.

Perhaps you and your family may be considered by the Supreme Council for the "Family of the Month" award just as it was for Blake and Patti Kohlbrecher! Again, Congratulations to all of you fine men and women, and Happy New Year.

Vivat Jesus,

Jerry Klostermann, Grand Knight, Highland Council 1580 Knights of Columbus

