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Swip, Swirl Tasting

Sip & Swirl Soirée Bourbon Beer & Wine Tasting affair was a tremendous success. There were 145 attendees who were on hand despite a weekend packed full of events throughout the community.

Photos by Paula Rehkemper



Serving the Customer

Joe Acornero looks on as Joe Wetmore serves Delores Tonnies at the chicken dinner.

Photo by Bill Napper

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Cosmic Winners

John Hemann poses with the winners of the first ever cosmic bags tournament held at the KC hall.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Senior Knight of The Month

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

Our Brother Knight has been helping and leading the Men's Shelter Meals at St Peter & Pauls Church in Souland, St. Louis.

This Brother Knight has provided an exercise for Confirmation students at St Paul School to perform a corporal work of mercy to prepare them to receive the Sacrament.

He is asking now for a volunteer (or volunteers) to continue this worthy and grace-giving ministry. It is unfortunate that his health has required him to step-down from this activity. However, he will guide the next chaperon, and he is hopeful that someone may step-up to the challenge of meeting the needs of the unfortunate, the homeless, the hungry in our own neighborhood of St Louis.

It is with great appreciation that we honor as the Senior Knight of the Month for January, 2017, our brother Knight, John Geismann.

Congratulations from the Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580.

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 every aspect of the Council.

Our Family of the Month demonstrates their commitment to our Parish as a member of St Paul parish, home-schooling their children in deep religious themes, attending daily Masses.

He has been graciously handling the incidental raffles at many events held in the KC Hall: the oddball liquor, 50/50 raffles for the Christmas Party and the Cosmic Bags Tournament.

It is with deep appreciation that we have selected Tony & Beth Hemann as our Family of the Month for January, 2017. Congratulations on being the first this year from Council 1580.

Knight Of The Month

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

You can find this Brother Knight providing support to Council 1580 in imaginative

ways.

He supports our youth mission as Co-Operative of the Columbus Club Knights for Lights program through the Softball Tournament, the processing of contracts and contacts regarding the ballfields and, just recently, demonstrated his unique leadership abilities in the Cosmic

Bags Tournament (copyrighted by the Club).

This Knight of the Month has become a King-pin on the wagon for success of the Highland KC hall ball fields.

It is with deep appreciation that we have selected, Ben Brinker, as Knight of the Month for January, 2017.

MEMO FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

It is time to pay your 2017 dues. 2nd Notice Statements were mailed out January 31.

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

You can also mail your dues to: Martin Klostermann, F.S. Knights of Columbus PO Box 195 • Highland, IL 62249

Regular members are \$30 per year;

Students dues are \$20 per year and Honorary Members pay \$10 per year,

Honorary Life Members pay no dues.

Fourth Degree dues are an additional \$15.

Ladies Auxiliary News

When someone asks you who you are, what do you answer?

Do you answer that you are a beloved daughter of God? Because you are, and you are also irreplaceable because God created you uniquely with your own set of talents and gifts. He dwells within you, guiding your life and filling you with His love. So look inside you today and see where God is asking you to serve Him; maybe it's through some of the activities the Auxiliary is involved

with. Tap into those talents and gifts He gave you and put them to work!

The Auxiliary is happy to welcome 5 new members: Engie Walker, Heidi Kukowski, Judy Zeisset, Gayla Reynolds and Gina Niebruegge.

Don't delay in getting together your tables to play Glo-in-the-Dark Bingo on March 23rd. Advance tickets are \$20 and \$25 at the door. Please plan to attend and donate to the Annual Bishop's Dinner which supports our seminarians, our Newman Centers and Pro-Life activities.

Upcoming bingo pie providers are:

Feb. 1-Gina Lipski	Mar. 1-Maureen Napper
Feb. 8-Kathy Lohman	Mar. 8-Cindy Miller
Feb. 15-Annie Lutostanski	Mar. 15-Joyce Musenbrock
Feb. 22-Cecilia Miller	Mar. 22-Mary Jo Newman
	Mar. 29-Kaye Plocher

See you on February 7th at our next meeting at 7:00 pm at the KC Hall. Meanwhile: stay warm, stay safe, stay healthy.

4th Degree Notes

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.

Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance

Don't forget the Valentine's Dinner planned for February 11th, 2017. Attendance is \$25 per person. This is a joint event with the 3rd & 4th Degree membership. We have a very enjoyable evening planned with other Councils and Assemblies throughout the area. We are hoping that all members will attend this great event and meet other Knights and Sir Knights from other Councils. Please make your reservations as soon as possible by calling Herb Durbin at (618) 654-6754.

Attention 3rd Degree Members!

All members of the 3rd degree have the opportunity to advance to the 4th degree by attending the exemplification to be held February 18th at Our Lady of Snows Shrine in Belleville. A great opportunity with little travel involved to become a member of the 4th Degree. Start making plans now to attend. If you need information or an application, just let me know, Herb Durbin (618) 654-6754. 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.

Sincerely, Herb Durbin Jr. Faithful Navigator



Kathy Lohman
Ladies Auxiliary Secretary



Herb Durbin

Birthdays & Anniversaries



February Birthdays

1 - Thomas Henrichs
1 - Kathy (Dennis) Keeven
1 - Cyril (Pete) Korte
1 - Carl Lammers
3 - Donna (Kenneth) Kampwerth
3 - Jo Ann (George) Korte
3 - Deborah (Robert) Vance
5 - Linda (Robert) Bollman
5 - Maurice Gutzler
5 - Gary Todt
6 - Nicholas Korte
6 - Mary Jane (Leonard) Landmann
6 - Robert Rapp
6 - Dennis Tabor
7 - Bart Alexander
7 - Pamela (Robert) Benda
7 - Jonathan Elliott
7 - Edith (Robert) Korte
7 - Rodney Miller
8 - Brendon Delaney
8 - Theresa (David) Korte
8 - Jeanette (Melvin) Long
8 - Sue (Luke) Wellen
9 - Blake Kohlbrecher
9 - Stephen Linenfelser
10 - Lori (Jim) Gutzler
10 - Gail (Robert) Ohren
10 - Robert Spengel
12 - Brant Frey
12 - Wilfred Marquardt
12 - Ted Schrage
12 - Melinda (Michael) Tarvin
12 - Jeanette (Terry) Zobrist
13 - Susanne (Edward) Campbell
13 - Bonnie (Thomas) Hill
15 - Brad Korte
15 - Steven Rezabek
15 - Kevin Thuenemann
16 - James Klostermann
16 - Gail (Bradford) Voss
16 - Marcus Whelchel
17 - Phillip Gilomen
17 - Michael Tarvin
17 - Alphonse Vonderhaar
19 - Karen (Thomas) Melosi
19 - Carol (Gary) Richter
20 - Daniel Goggin
20 - Linda (Steven) Heimsath
20 - Melody (Daniel) Kapp
20 - Robert Korte
20 - Edwin Plocher
20 - Becky (Steve) Ribbing
20 - Elaine (James) Thurnau
20 - Janice (R) Vogt
21 - Jene' (Christopher) Frey
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 III
22 - Larry Buchheim
22 - Maurice Kramper
23 - Peggy (John) Elliott
23 - Jerold Hohlt
23 - James Voss
23 - Angie (Chris) Wernle
24 - Thomas Hill
24 - Anna (Michael) Voegele
24 - Larry Widman
25 - James Gallatin
25 - Kevin Stallard
26 - Garry Werner
27 - Sharon (Eugene) Bickl
27 - Michael Riffel
27 - Doreen (Thomas) Whalen
29 - Mark Eilers
29 - Larry Essenpreis

February Anniversaries

3 - Jerome & Karen Kuhl
4 - Danny & Rosemary Kloss
4 - Keith & Norine Koch
5 - Michael & Barbara Kuhl
7 - Timothy & Kim Vincent
12 - Philip & Sharon Klostermann
14 - Joseph & Jean Jacober
14 - Bradley & Kristen Koehnmann
16 - Steven & Linda Heimsath
17 - Frank & Mary Jo Prusa
18 - Robert & Margo Buehne
27 - Kevin & Sue Buchmiller

Hats Off

Hats Off to the Senior Knight of the Month for January, 2017, Brother Knight, John Geismann. Also Hats Off to Tony and Beth Hemann who have been chosen as the Family of the Month for January, 2017.

Finally, Hat's Off to Ben Brinker, who is the Knight of the Month for January, 2017.



A Great Beginning

This 2017 New Year has begun with a bang!

There are many great activities taking place at your KC Hall.

As I write this article, I look back over the past 48 hours and I am so proud to be a part of the ongoing commitment from membership of Council 1580 toward the many accomplishments and successes of our worthy endeavors.



Joe Wetmore

Grand Knight Jerry Klostermann and his fellow officers are making great strides in assuring our Council is the best that it can be! Additionally, Brother Knight and Columbus Club President Ken Klostermann and members of your CC Board are working diligently to make sure the "lighting of the ball fields" will be completed by the beginning of the baseball season.

Under his leadership we are all confident that this goal will be attained.

Many fundraisers are in the planning stages for the "Knights for Lights" campaign.

I would like to take this opportunity to mention to all of you that ticket sales for the gun raffle are moving swiftly.

If interested, please do not hesitate to get in on these drawings.

We are raffling one firearm per month beginning in April for 12 months.

Also, it looks like we will for sure be adding the additional 4 quarterly cash drawings as well.

All of this effort is for the 'Lights' campaign.

Tickets are available in the lounge or by contacting Tony Hemann at 618-410-2526 or Gary Stone, Jr. at 618-410-3179 or any Columbus Club board member.

The first ever 'Cosmic Bags' Tournament held at the KC Hall earlier this month was a huge success.

Some 48 teams competed for cash prizes and the opportunity to be the first ever winning team at such an event.

There was actually a waiting list to play!

Winners from this inaugural

tournament were from St. Louis. Brother Knight's Ben Brinker and John Hemann are busy planning on the next event. Watch for these additional Cosmic Bags Tournaments coming soon!

We would like to thank Elijah Daley and the entire Sip & Swirl Soirée Bourbon Beer & Wine Tasting committee for their

monumental efforts in making this year's event the success that it was.

There were 145 attendees who were on hand despite a weekend packed full of other events in the area. DJ Charley Luber spun the records and the ambiance could not have been more conducive to a successful

event. Funds were again raised for the Catholic High Schools and Knights of Columbus Council 1580's charitable activities. Nice job and thank you to all!

Lastly, the 2017 Bishops Dinner Annual fundraiser for Vocations, Newman & Pro-Life activities is underway. The date is February 19th and quickly

approaching. Save the date and plan on attending this most worthy endeavor.

Remember, our future priests, students and the unborn are counting the Knights of Columbus for support.

Wishing all of you the comforts of Peace, Love and Joy!

Joe Wetmore, PGK



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**OUR
CONDOLENCES**

To Caroline Tschannen on the loss of her husband, Sir Knight Donald (Don) Tschannen.

To Brother Knight Gaye Michael and especially his wife Susie on the loss of her brother, William Kolhbrecer.

To Brother Knight Blake Kohlbrecher on the loss of his uncle, William Kolhbrecer.

Chicken Dinner Is Great Success

Grand Knight

Here it is, suddenly February, the second month of the New Year! How are you doing on your resolutions? Are you committed



Jerry Klostermann

as I am to making the same resolutions as last year's? That's a habit of mine that I

resolve to break, same old failed attempts: exercise, eat healthy and right, early to bed and so on. This year is a little different, as I have a prayer I've begun to recite daily: "God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference. Amen." It helps.

So, the deep freeze had set in finally. It did get cold, but fortunately, the Coats for Kids were delivered to the Highland Area Christian Ministry for distribution. The donation for the St. Vincent de Paul Society was given over as well, and the gifts to the clergy managed to get handed to the priests and deacons before Christmas, mostly.

We need a lot of the members and others to come out for our fund-raising events. This includes the Benefit Fundraiser with the Bishop's Dinner, St. Valentine's Dance (and, don't forget the Dance is open to 3rd Degree (Knights' Degree) members also this year for the first time), and the upcoming Major Degree in March, 2017.

I wish a warm welcome to Tim and Mike Warnecke for entering into the Brotherhood by taking the 1st Degree (Initiation degree) recently. Their Grandpa, Art Warnecke should be so proud.

Let me tell you about my experience with the phrase "Youse Guys." In Texas, I was very aware of the phrase "Ya'll." I tried to get the phrase into my conversations, but try as I might, I would slip into "youse guys" and immediately, my audience would get to giggling so hard it spilled over into roll-on-the-floor-laughing. Now, I'm not a sensitive guy, but when they started a Yankee Dictionary for me, I was down-right put out. Well, now I don't care how they did it down South anymore. Now that I've returned to God's country, and I'm in relatively high-up positions of authority like the Knights of Columbus, I would like our Council to grow without any barriers.

Our next Major Degree is March 12, 2017, starting at 12:30 pm. Any practicing Catholic gentleman, over the age of 18 years, may apply for the process of Knighthood, on that day, if they are sponsored by a Knight in good standing.

We had a good turnout for the Chicken Dinner. I enjoyed and seeing so many Brother Knights and their families come out and support our Council.

*Vivat Jesus,
Jerry Klostermann, GK*



Enjoying Chicken Dinner

A wonderful community turnout made the annual Knights of Columbus chicken dinner a great success, Jan. 22.

Photo by Bill Napper



Ticket Takers

Bright smiles greeted everyone as they entered the KC Hall.

Photo by Bill Napper



Quilt Raffle

Pat Korte, left, and Sharon Klostermann are ready to accept ticket for the ladies axillary quilt raffle.

Photo by Bill Napper

Kitchen Crew

The KC kitchen crew always does a great job by turning out the "best" chicken in the area.

Photo by Bill Napper



Good

Burnell Petry enjoys his dinner.

Photo by Bill Napper



Take Out

Ron Massey and Dave Rakers work the take out line at the chicken dinner, Sunday afternoon.

Photo by Bill Napper