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## Free Throw Champions Play at St. Marys

EDWARDSVILLE- Several students took part in the Free Throw Championship game, in District 81 at St. Mary's here on Feb. 20. Photographed are: Abby Huelsmann, Left to Right, Abby Bukovac, Samatha Oller, Garrett Berolatti, Brady Knackstedt, Christopher Apotheker, Ellie Stark, Christian Wasche, Owen Kobbeman

Name	Age	Council	Made
<b>Girls</b>			
Samatha Oller	9	1143	4
Abigail Bukovac	10	1143	9
Abby Huelsmann	11	1580	20
Elizabeth Stark	14	1580	21
<b>Boys</b>			
Christopher Apotheker	10	1143	19
Brady Knackstedt	11	1580	11
Garrett Berolatti	12	1580	12
Christian Wasche	13	1580	21
Owen Kobbeman	14	1580	17



## All You Can Eat Lenten Fish Fry

Photo by Bill Napper

Every Friday Highland Council of the Knights of Columbus 1580 holds an "all you can eat" fish fry at the KC Hall. You'll find Cod plates, Cod sandwiches, Crab Rangoon, Shrimp, Chicken Tenders and the best baked fish in the area. Carry outs are available. The hall is completely handicapped accessible bathrooms and plenty of parking.



## KC Valentine Dinner

Photos by Bill Napper

Members of the Highland Knights of Columbus, 4th Degree Assembly #0231 (top photo) enjoy a Valentine dinner, Feb 14 at the KC Hall. After the dinner they were entertained by the unique musical group Phi'z Harmoniks.

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## Family Of The Month

February's Family of the Month Award is given to a Brother Knight and his Lady for their continued service and support to the Church, our Council and our community.

Our Brother Knight has recently been recognized for 25 years of continuous service in the Knights of Columbus. He is also a member of the 4th Degree Assembly and participates in the honor guard. You will find our Brother Knight regularly working the kitchen at Wednesday night Bingos and during many of our Council 1580 sponsored events. Our Brother Knight and his Lady are very dedicated and active members in their home parish. He is a Hospitality Minister and she is an Extraordinary Minister of the Holy Eucharist. They are members of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Pierron and have participated in the Cursillo movement. Perhaps the most valuable service our family provides is an ongoing commitment to prayer. Both our Brother and his Lady are staunch supporters of Right to Life activities and provide invaluable prayerful support to the fight against abortion at the Hope Clinic in Granite City and here in Highland in the Life Chain. They are also annual supporters of the Relevant Options Pregnancy Center. In 2013, our Brother Knight and his Lady received the Magnificat Award, established by Bishop George Lucas, for extraordinary service to their parish.

It is with deep appreciation that we have selected the family of Lowell and Denise Wellen as February 2016's Family of the Month. Congratulations from 1580.

## Senior Knight Of The Month

February'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 long time member of the Knights of Columbus with over 58 years of continuous service. He is also a member of the 4th Degree Assembly logging 55 years of continuous service. He is a Past Chaplain for our council and holds the distinguished honor of Pastor Emeritus from St. Paul Church in Highland. In December 2013, Our Brother Knight was one of nine inaugural recipients of the Bishop James A. Griffin Award given to a priest as acknowledgement for

long and meritorious service to the Springfield Diocese.

Recently, our Brother Knight has been honored for his exceptional service to the church, and was nominated by His Most Excellency Bishop Thomas John Paprocki for the title of Monsignor. Reflecting upon the nomination, His Holiness Pope Francis has given approval for this nomination and accordingly, the Secretariat of the State of the Vatican has honored our Brother Knight with the title of Monsignor.

We are very proud of our Brother Knight who has been a staunch supporter of religious education and of our Order - The Knights of Columbus.

It is with great pleasure that we have selected Monsignor David Peters as our February 2016 Senior Knight of the Month. Congratulations from Council 1580

## Knight Of The Month

We have selected as February's Knight of the Month, a Brother Knight who contributes much his time and talents to the Knights of Columbus Council 1580, St. Paul Catholic Church and the Highland Community.

Our dedicated Brother Knight has participated in many Council 1580 sponsored events. He has worked at the Lenten Fish Fry dinners, Madison County Fair, and Kirchenfest. He is a regular worker at the Wednesday night Bingo games from set-up in the morning to tear down in the evening, and also works the Intellectual Disabilities fund raiser. He and his Lady were valuable members of the Bourbon, Beer and Wine Tasting Committee offering expertise in areas including preparation of food pairings and selection of varieties.

Our Brother Knight is a devoted catholic. He is an Extraordinary Minister of the Holy Eucharist, and attends daily Masses. He has recently been learning how to fulfill the duties of Altar Server at funeral Masses as well. He is a member of the Bishop's Dinner annual fundraiser committee where he plays a vital role in tracking, recording and processing donor contributions. Our Brother Knight is also a member of the 4th Degree Assembly 231 and regularly attends meetings.

We often find this Brother Knight punching keys on a computer as he counts and records the Council's 'beans' on a regular basis. He is an officer of Council 1580 currently serving as our Worthy Treasurer.

It is with sincerest appreciation that we have selected Lee Trame as our Knight of the Month for February 2016. Congratulations from the Highland Knights of Columbus Council 1580.

## HATS OFF

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

To the Brother Knight Lowell & Denise Wellen for being selected as the Family of the Month

To Brother Knight Monsignor David Peters for being selected as the Senior Knight of the Month

To all the members and families that support our Lenten Fish Fry.

To all 4th Degree members of the surrounding area that were able to attend the Valentine's Dinner/Dance on February 14th, 2016

To all the Members, Families, Friends, & Parish members that supported the Vocations, Newman, & Pro-Life annual fund raiser of Council 1580.



## Ladies Auxiliary News

How are you at creating spiritual environments? Look at the different environments (groups) you are involved with: family, work, clubs, political. YOU can have an impact on that environment by what you say, what you do, how you act. Think about what Jesus would do in a situation and act likewise. Remember: you are who you surround yourself with. St. Francis said: "Start by doing what's necessary, then do what's possible, and suddenly you're doing the impossible."

How are you doing with your reading of Rediscover Jesus? If you haven't started yet, today is as good as any. Lots of food for thought in those short chapters.

Scheduled bingo pie providers are:

Mar. 2nd-Gina Lipski  
Mar.9th-Linda Dunker  
Mar.16th-Dot Durbin  
Mar.23rd-JoAnn Eilerman  
Mar.30th-Sarah Fischer  
Apr. 6th-Barb Forys  
Apr.13th-Nancy Dubach  
Apr.20th-Julie Frydrych  
Apr.27th-Marie Grandame

Our next scheduled meeting is March 1st @ 7 pm at the KC Hall. Know of someone who wants to get involved? Bring her along!



## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### March Birthdays

1 - Diane (Glenn) Hoyt  
1 - Robert Luitjohan  
1 - Linus Marti  
1 - Myron Potthast  
2 - James Chandaris  
2 - Debra (Alan) Drury  
2 - Daniel Jacober  
2 - Justin Troxell  
3 - Mark Frey  
3 - Donna (Jeffrey) Goestenkers  
3 - Dennis Higgins  
3 - Agnes (Vernell) Wellen  
4 - Diane (Richard) Boeser  
4 - Mark Stephens  
5 - Paul West  
6 - Gary Gacevich  
6 - Rocco Gonzalez  
6 - Connie (Brian) Ruffini  
6 - Steven Skaggs  
6 - Jacob Troxell  
7 - Crista (Philip) Decker  
7 - Linda (Paul) Dunker  
7 - Severin Emig  
7 - Randall Malawy  
7 - Nancy (Russell) Rieke  
7 - Kyle Troxell  
8 - James Campbell  
8 - Trent Gnaedinger  
8 - Ty Renko  
8 - Sue (William) Wilson  
9 - Patti (Blake) Kohlbrecher  
9 - Brian Ruffini  
9 - Mary (Kenneth) Rutz  
10 - Arthur Schulte  
10 - Michael Wetzel  
11 - Dean Grapperhaus  
11 - Martin Klostermann  
11 - Travis Wellen  
12 - Donald Mc Call  
12 - Gerald Rehkemper  
12 - Margaret (Gerald) Steinkoenig  
13 - Harold Klaus  
13 - Kristen (Bradley) Koehnemann  
13 - Karen (Jerome) Kuhl  
13 - Stanley Wessel  
14 - Todd Korte  
14 - James Vidmar  
14 - Lucy (Lee) Wellen  
15 - Matthew Dermody  
15 - Jared Gilomen  
15 - Steven Kloss  
15 - Randy Luitjohan  
16 - Rev Samuel Bagyo  
16 - Susan (Kevin) Heim  
16 - Debra (Wayne) Keeven  
16 - Suzanne (Virgil) Wilke  
17 - Alan Drury  
17 - Rev Pat Jakel  
17 - Raymond Korte  
17 - Jill (Bradley) Sauls  
18 - Marie (Daniel) Grandame  
18 - Mary (James) Haberer  
18 - Thomas Hoffmann  
18 - Robert Lemp  
18 - Jill (Anthony) Sinnock  
18 - Robert Vance

19 - Michael Gilomen  
19 - Howard Held  
19 - Terrance Moore  
19 - Rita (Michael) Tebbe  
19 - Debbie (Robert) Trost  
19 - Randy Von Hatten  
20 - Lori (Michael) Baumgartner  
20 - Brent Knebel  
21 - Rick Frey  
21 - Barbara (David) Kampwerth  
21 - James Stukenberg  
22 - Connor Barr  
22 - Justin Robitsch  
23 - Mike Dapkus  
23 - Julie (Severin) Emig  
23 - Chad Klostermann  
23 - David Melosi  
23 - Randy Riggs  
24 - William Duncan  
24 - William Gleason  
24 - James Griesbaum  
24 - Dee (Randy) Luitjohan  
24 - Scott Stahlhut  
25 - Leonard Thole  
25 - Douglas Thurnau  
25 - Bobbi (Chad) Wernle  
26 - Fran (Robert) Heiman  
26 - Karin (Ronald) Zbinden  
27 - Mary (Michael) Carroll  
27 - Daniel Neier  
28 - Theresa (Randy) Dickman  
28 - Troby (Edward) Gagen  
28 - Laura (Andrew) Jansen  
28 - Bradley Koehnemann  
28 - Michael Lengeremann  
29 - Danny Mc Cloud  
29 - Timothy Singler  
29 - Scott Wick  
30 - Vicky (Brian) Buehne  
30 - Rosemary (Neal) Rieke  
31 - Gerri (R) Johnson  
31 - Jeremy Wildhaber

### March Anniversaries

1 - Jeffrey & Angela Marie Smart  
2 - John & Lynn Todt  
7 - Keith & Laurie Frank  
13 - Phil & Diane Krydynski  
13 - Anthony & Susi Tebbe  
14 - Daniel & Lu Ann Halloran  
20 - Gary & Tracy Frey  
21 - David & Theresa Korte  
21 - Robert & Debbie Trost  
23 - Vernell & Agnes Wellen  
24 - Denis & Shirley Bellm  
24 - Dale & Shirley Wellen  
31 - Steven & Michelle Ficker SR

If you're not a member, consider becoming a member of the Knights of Columbus



# 4Th Degree News

I hope everyone had a lovely Valentine Day with your loved ones. We provided a breakfast for the Highland Boy Scouts on Sunday February 7, 2016 to mark Boy Scout Sunday. Many of our Sir Knights supported the Honor Guard for the Annual Prayer Breakfast on February 20th at St Mary's in Alton. We also provided an Honor Guard for the Bishops Dinner on Sunday, February 21, 2016.



Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance  
The 4th Degree Valentine's Dinner/Dance was held on February 14, 2016. There were 100 members and significant others in attendance from the Carlyle, Edwardsville, Highland, Collinsville, Maryville, O'Fallon, Gillespie, Glen Carbon, and Troy Assembly's'. A Great dinner was served by Cygan-Delaney Catering of Highland.

The guests were entertained by the Phil'z Harmoniks. Phil'zHarmoniks is the performing student group of Tinge Studios. They are based in the St. Louis Metro East area out of O'Fallon, Illinois. With their extension group in Centralia they cover most of southern Illinois. Led by Philip Tinge with assistant teachers Gina McIsaac, John Brighton, and Marie Menninga, Phil'zHarmoniks is a bowed string instrument group based on the concepts developed by Dr. Shinichi Suzuki. Everyone was impressed with the exceptional performance.

Dance music was provided by Disc Jockey Charles Luber of Trenton (618) 224-9727. He played a variety of music that entertained all in attendance throughout the evening.

To complete the evening there was an attendance prize, Silent Auction, and 50/50 Raffle. 10 Attendance prizes were awarded and 5 large Baskets were donated by Melanie Wylie of Maryville (618) 344-8986 for the Silent Auction. We appreciate Melanie's greatly support.

Our Lady of the Snows Shrine Exemplification  
James Kampwerth, Joseph Seger, and Brian Comish from the Highland Council attended the 4th Degree Exemplification on February 27, 2016 at Our Lady of the Snows Shrine and became Sir Knights. Members of the Highland Assembly supported the Degree and participated in the Honor Guards of the day. Congratulations to the new Sir Knights.

*Sincerely  
Herb Durbin Jr FN*

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Help is needed on all Wednesday of the month to help at the hall working different jobs for our weekly bingos. Help is needed all areas of bingo from selling bingo cards working the floor during bingo, needing bingo callers, workers in the kitchen cooking and working the window, selling hamburgers, and tending bar. You can pick any Wednesday of the month. We could use workers on all Wednesdays of the month. You can contact Dave Gall by calling 1-618-973-7401 to volunteer.

THANK YOU

## OUR CONDOLENCES

To Brother Knight Tom Switzer on the loss of his brother, Rick Switzer

To Brother Knight John Gantner and especially his wife Donna and to Brother Knight Mike Carroll and especially his wife Mary on the loss of their father, Clarence Plocher

To Florence Schrage on the loss of her husband, Brother Knight Andrew Schrage

To Sir Knight Orville Landmann and especially his wife Olivia on the loss of her brother, Henry Ratermann

To Brother Knight Paul Luitjohan, to Jane Korte, wife of Brother Knight Pete Korte, and to Millie Frey widow of deceased Brother Knight Allen Frey on the loss of their sister, Marie Horstmann.

To Brother Knight Joseph Horstmann on the loss of his grandmother, Marie Horstmann.



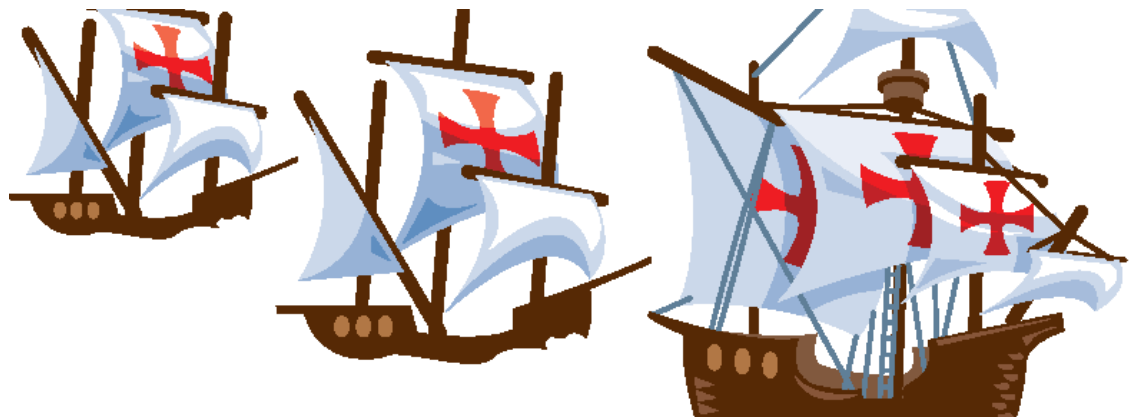
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## FROM THE EDITORS

Please send us your ideas, or articles by April 17th and it will appear in the next Newsletter. Please email your article.

Please pick up our current newsletter at the entrances of your parish church. The Newsletter is also available on-line at <http://www.highlandkc.org/kc/Newsletters.asp>.

Please update us with your new email, cell phone, or 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.

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

# KC Field Agent Takes Part In Poker Heart Walk



Knights of Columbus Field Agent Connor Barr celebrating Heart Month at the St. Joseph's Hospital- Highland Poker Heart Walk on Friday evening. Each year, St. Joseph's Hospital hosts their annual Poker Heart Walk at the Korte Rec Center in Highland to raise awareness for heart health. The event included a poker walk, informative information, medical screenings, and plenty of attendance prizes. Pictured (from left to right) Adam Richter, Deb Atwood, John Clarkin, Patricia Noe, Connor Barr, Barb Zaloga, Barbara Barr, and Breanna Noe.



Lead Me, Guide Me, Lord. This is the theme that our Worthy State Deputy William Doerfler has chosen to be the spiritual influence not only for himself and his staff, rather for all members of Illinois Knights of Columbus Councils and their families. Let us all reflect upon this theme, and use this spiritual influence to guide us in service, as we strive to make Discipleship and Stewardship a way of life in our churches, councils and communities. Pictured are Joe Wetmore, Grand Knight Council 1580; His Excellency Bishop Thomas John Paprocki, Springfield Diocese; Father Brian Alford, Director of Vocations for the Springfield Diocese; Brother Knight Stephen Mann, State Advocate Illinois Knights of Columbus; and District Deputy Jerry Kapp, District 81.

## Grand Knights Message

My opening comments in this month's message are nothing short of sincere and total gratitude. On behalf of the Vocations Committee, I would like to thank all of you who attended and/or supported this year's annual fundraiser for Vocations, Newman and Pro-Life Activities. This year we gave \$16,000 to 23 seminarians to assist them in their quest in the priesthood and provided much needed resources to the advancement of vocations and education within the Springfield Diocese. Additionally, we raised funds to continue our efforts in assuring there will be campus ministries for catholic students at secular colleges and universities, and provided resources to support our commitment to "Life - from conception to natural death." You are truly faithful stewards and intentional disciples exemplifying the teachings of Jesus Christ - truly a job well done!



One of the most important events that we have in the month of March is our Major Degree scheduled for March 13th. If our council is to continue to grow, we must all make a very diligent effort to recruit new members. This is a golden opportunity to become fully vested in our order within the course of one afternoon. As members of the Knights of Columbus we are guided by our faith in God, the Catholic Church and our belief in each other and ourselves. Ask a brother, friend, son or grandson today if they would like to participate in serving as a member of the Knights of Columbus. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. and the First Degree begins at 1:00 p.m. All 1st Degree members are also invited to join the 2nd & 3rd Degrees at this time as well. The 2nd Degree begins at 2:00 p.m. All participants and members of their families are invited to join us for a meal after the 3rd Degree at approx. 5:00 p.m.

The Knights of Columbus prayer service theme this year is "Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive." This year's service is scheduled for Tuesday, March 15th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul Church. The Icon is an image of the Holy Family and is the centerpiece of the prayer service. We encourage all members and their families and friends to come and celebrate with us at this beautiful prayer service.

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for March 20th at 1:00 p.m. weather permitting. Relatives of K of C members who are 9 years of age and younger are invited to participate.

As we reflect upon this season of Lent through penance, almsgiving, abstinence and fasting, let us remember Christ's ultimate sacrifice and resurrection. Alleluia!

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

*Happy Easter,  
Joe Wetmore, Grand Knight*


## The Value of Life Insurance for Children

As a father, you worry about your children and do everything you can to protect them. You try to raise them right and make sure they are prepared to become adults. But have you ever thought about buying life insurance for your child?

When you insure a child, you are protecting his or her future. Did you know that one out of every six adults get rated, postponed, or denied for insurance coverage? If you purchase a policy for your child from the Knights of Columbus with a guaranteed purchase option, it guarantees that more insurance can be purchased for that child at certain set dates, without proving insurability.


Unfortunately, as fathers we don't have a crystal ball, and we don't know what the future may have in store for our children's health. But did you know that right now you can purchase a child's policy, in many cases, for less than \$10 a month?

I've heard it said that people don't want to "profit" from the death of a child, so they won't purchase coverage on their children. God forbid something tragic happens, those funds can come in handy at a time when finances will be the last thing on a parent's mind. I have never heard a story about someone who regretted buying coverage on their child.



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It is time to pay your 2016 dues. We are starting the third month of the year and 2nd Notice Statements were mailed. You can pay your dues at the hall any day from 8 am to noon or during our Wednesday Night Bingo or Fish Fry's during Lent.

You can also mail your dues to:

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