#### COUNCIL 1098-ASSEMBLY 0224

#### DECEMBER 2010





Grand Knight John Haug, Sr.



Faithful Navigator George Friedel



Ladies Auxiliary President Kathy Mangi



Columbus Home President Walter Bruch

#### Dates to Remember

Dec. 4th—"Sparkles and Sweets"

Dec. 18th—Kid's Christmas Party

Dec 18th–Adult Party

Dec. 24th – Christmas Eve

Dec. 25th – Christmas Day

Dec. 31st–New Year's Eve

### Knight News

### A Word From the Grand Knight

s I write this newsletter Thanksgiving approaches. Thanksgiving Day in America is a time to offer thanks, of family gatherings and holiday meals. As Grand Knight I reflect on our great organization, my brother knights and their families and what we have accomplished throughout the year together. It is our members and their ladies who work our bingos and our pull tab team who make the following a reality:

- The ability to provide ACSA relief to our local parishes.
- The ability to provide substantial donations to our Catholic grade schools.
- Priesthood Sunday gifts and Christmas gifts to Seminarians.
- Hosting the Area 12 Special Olympics Dinner and Dance.
- Hosting the Catholic Grade schools 8th Grade Graduation Dinner and Dance.
- Quarterly Communion Masses with meals and camaraderie following.
- The Memorial Day Mass at Calvary Catholic Cemetery.
- The Halloween Party.
- The Kid's Christmas Party.
- The Adult Christmas Party.
- Cash Christmas gifts to the children living at the Alton Catholic Children's Home.
- The Kid's Easter Egg Hunt.
- The Family Picnic.
- Hosting the area Spelling Bee.
- Hosting the area Free Throw Contest.
- Giving numerous worthwhile donations

to various non-profit organizations in the community.

- Scholarships to Catholic Grade School students attending a Catholic High School.
- Scholarships to Active Members High School Children starting College.

Other things to be thankful for made possible by our volunteers are:

- A successful Tootsie Roll drive and resulting donations.
- Our Columbus Home who makes Bingo available for other Non-Profits.
- Our Columbus Home providing Hall rentals for our Community.
- Our hard working 5th Degree team.
- Our common Catholic Faith which makes our organization and friendships possible.

As is evident from the list above, our blessings are abundant. As we move into the New Year, may we continue to work toward the common goal of aiding our churches, schools and community in a positive way.

#### Major Annual Donations:

- \$12,500 each to Holy Family and St. Elizabeth—ACSA Assessment
- \$5,000 to St. Mary & St. Mark—ACSA assessment
- \$1,000 St. Mary Greek Catholic Church
- \$900 for Cash Christmas Gifts— Children at Alton Catholic Children's Home

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Vickie and I.

Sincerely, John Haug, Sr.

#### From the Faithful Navigator

hank you to the Sir Knights that participated in the Honor Guards. They have had a very busy couple weekends. On Sunday, November 7th, we had the Memorial Mass at St. Elizabeth Church at 8:00 AM. Then Sunday night we had Honor Guard and Chalice service for Sir Knight John Butch. Sunday November 14th we were again called for an Honor Guard and Chalice service for Sir Knight Robert Moske. May their souls rest in peace. Sure is great to see all the dedication throughout the group that serves on Honor Guard!!!

Sir Knights Jim DeRuntz, John Straubinger, and Tom Voloski went to Springfield to stand Honor Guard at the Cathedral on Veteran's Day for the Annual Knights of Columbus Mass. Thank you for representing Assembly 0224!

The new Fourth Degree Pins I spoke about last are still not available to us. Our order has been put on back order. I will keep you posted when they become available.



With Thanksgiving and Christmas coming soon, I want to take this opportunity to wish each and everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and a Very Merry and Blessed Christmas.

#### Donations to be voted on December 21st

#### ACSA Relief to Springfield Diocese:

- \$12,500 for St. Elizabeth
- \$12,500 for Holy Family
- \$5,000 for St. Mary's
- \$1,000 to St. Mary's Greek Catholic Church
- Six \$500 Christmas Gifts to Seminarians

Vivat Jesus

George Friedel, Faithful Navigator



#### Honoring Those Who Serve

The 4th Degree Knights of Columbus would like to honor those family members who are so proudly serving in our national defense. Jeffery Bilyeu, SPC, Army, South Korea; David Breeden Jr., Airman 1st Class, Air Force, North Carolina; Lee Brown, Master Sergeant, Army, Ft. Hood Texas; Jon P. Connolly, Major, Marine Corps, Afghanistan; Scott Griffin, Sergeant, Army National Guard, USA; Zach Hay, Airman, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida; Evan Jones, 2nd Lt., Marine Corps, Quantico, VA; Stephani Luebben, Captain, Air Force, F.E. Warren AFB WY; Michael Ryan, Ft. Knox, KY; Jason Scaturro, Sergeant, Army, Iraq; Brett Taylor, PFC, Army, Ft. Drum NY; Gregory Voloski, Chief Petty Officer, Navy, San Diego, CA; Chris Wilbur, SPC, Army, Afghanistan.

#### KC Meeting Attendance/50-50 Winners & Losers

#### October 26, 2010 Emilio Campos won the 50/50 drawing and Steve Cauble won the \$300 attendance drawing.

#### November 9, 2010

Bill Rotter won the 50/50 drawing and Dan Folkerts failed to win the attendance drawing.

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#### From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary—JMJ

he family we helped through Catholic Charities came to our meeting Tuesday night. The mother, father and their four children were very thankful for our Ladies Auxiliary helping them. They presented flowers and a thank you card and would like to come back in February to have their picture taken with us. Thank you to Diane McIntyre for introducing this family and bringing their needs to our attention.

Our next Ladies Auxiliary meeting will be January 18, 2011, which will be our Christmas Party at Ravanelli's at 6:30 p.m. **There will be no meeting in December.** The monthly outreach will be for the Community Care Center's food pantry. The director of CCC said that grape jelly and canned soup were very much needed. Ladies, if you could please bring these items to our Christmas Party, it would be appreciated. Please be generous.

The **"Sparkles and Sweets"** fundraiser will be coming up very shortly, Saturday, December 4, 2010, at St. Elizabeth's cafeteria. Help is needed on Friday night to set up and on Saturday. Please call Barb Lilley at 797-6121 or Flo Moore at 797-0220 to help. Please bring at least 6 dozen homemade cookies or your favorite candy, or both for this to be a success. The cookies and candies should be brought to St. Elizabeth's cafeteria on Friday, December 3rd between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m.

St. Elizabeth's Church will have their concert, "City Voices," on Sunday, December 5, 2010. Doors open at 2:15 p.m. and the concert starts at 3:05 p.m. Free will offering will be taken.

The Christmas Party for the children will be December 18th at 10:00 a.m. and the adult party will be at 6:00 p.m. Ladies, please bring cookies or cupcakes to the children's Christmas Party. Sign up sheets are in the Council Room.

Please remember to spend time with Our Lord. Adoration is from 9:00 am—7:00 pm at St. Elizabeth's Church and from 9:00 am—3:00 pm at St. Mary's/St. Mark's.

Have a Blessed and Merry CHRISTmas.

AD MAJOREM DEI GLORIAM Kathy Mangi, President

#### **From the Financial Secretary**

t is that time again - 2011 DUES. What else can you get for \$20.00 a year that pays for itself if you participate in all of the events thought out the year. The 2011 dues notices will be mail out by December 15, 2010 and are due back January 1, 2011. I will start collecting dues by the start of December 2010 at the meetings.

Please handle this as you would your other bills by paying on time. This saves your council money. As always if you have a financial problem, please call myself or the Grand Knight, this will be kept confidential. If for some reason you do not want to continue being a member we need a letter telling us the reason.

I would like to welcome our two new members, and the three members that made their 2nd and 3rd degrees on October 24, 2010.

Our membership stands at 570.

Richard Haack, 931-5340



Sign up sheet is in the Council room. Make sure to sign up early.

## **Adult Member's Christmas Party**

### Saturday December 18th 6:00 pm



Sign up sheet is in the Council room. Please sign up.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 5th Degree Workday	3 Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team	4 Ladies Auxiliary <b>"Sparkles &amp;</b> <b>Sweets"</b> St. Elizabeth's Cafeteria
5 Schuler Bingo Team	6	7	8	9 5th Degree Workday	10 Petty Bingo Team	11
12 Rottter/Gray Bingo Team	13 Columbus Home Meeting 7:00 pm	14 KC Business Meeting 7:30 pm	15	16 5th Degree Workday	17 Friedel Bingo Team	18 Kid's Christmas Party 10:00 am Adult Christmas Party 6:00 pm
19 Softball Bingo Team	20	21 No Ladies Auxiliary Mtg. 4th Degree Meeting 7:30 pm	22	23 5th Degree Workday Co-Home Volunteers	24 Christmas Eve KC Hall Closed	25 Christmas Day KC Hall Closed
26 Cauble Bingo Team Newsletter Items Due 6:00 pm	27	28 KC Social Meeting 7:30 pm	29	30 5th Degree Workday	31 Petty Bingo Team New Year's Eve	

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