



Grand Knight John Haug, Sr.



Faithful Navigator David Cruse



Ladies Auxiliary President Nancy Diak



Columbus Home President Walter Bruch

Dates to Remember

February 2nd—Special Olympics Dinner/ Dance

Knight News

A Word From the Grand Knight

udos to Mel Byrd and Brian Kelley for visiting our sick brothers and delivering fruit baskets while Rudy Hoffek is going through rehab. We all hope Rudy will be coming back soon but we don't want to rush him. Mel has posted their phone numbers on the bulletin board in the Council room. If you know of a brother who is under the weather call Mel or Brian and let them know. They will update the board with info on our sick brothers so others can pay them a visit. It's refreshing to see these two active Knights step up and fill in helping Rudy to continue with Fr. McGivney's mission. I'm sure Rudy will want them to continue helping him when he gets back in action.

Rudy, Mel and Brian serve as an example to all of us on just one area where the Knights of Columbus are important.

There are many other areas in our Council where we have voids and can use some help. One that comes to mind is delivering the memorial plaques to our deceased brother's families at their wakes.

I know I harp a lot about getting bingo help but bingo is important to our fiscal livelihood. Bingo helps us fulfill the first degree of our order, Charity. But there are other responsibilities we have as Knights that contribute to the second and third degrees of our order, Unity and Fraternity. Patriotism, the Fourth degree of our order, is not only important to our organization but to our entire Country and the direction it is heading. As Knights we are visible and committed to our common Catholic beliefs and can make a huge difference and a positive impact.

To sum it up, there is something to do for everyone. Not just bingo but many other areas where our members who are not involved can get involved. Come out to a meeting and get tuned in. Ask around and get informed. Near the end of every meeting, for the good of the order, I ask if anyone has something to say. Any questions, a thought, an idea, anything, please speak up.

I will not deny the sincere member the opportunity to make a positive impact on our Council. Just ask Brother Mel Byrd or Brian Kelley.

Sincerely,

John Haug Sr.

KC Meeting Attendance/50-50 Winners & Losers

December 25, 2012

No meeting-Christmas Day.

January 8, 2013

David Cruse won the 50/50 drawing and Robert Mason failed to win the attendance drawing.

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From the Faithful Navigator

rother Knights A new year is well on its way and the Exemplification at the Lady of the Snows is upon us. We have four or five 3rd Degree members that are going into 4th degree but we could still have more. The Fourth Degree is the visible and Patriotic Degree of the Knights of Columbus and now, since we are hosting the exemplification, would be a very good time to join. Talk it up; we still have time. To be held at Our Lady of the Snows, March 16th.

The inevitable has finally happened; we will be losing a Bingo Caller for the 2nd Sunday of the month. Please!!!! Someone step up to the plate. Almost everyone is working more than one bingo a month now. GET INVOLVED!! Without bingo we have NOTHING!!!!!!! Only 4 hours a month, 48 hours a year to have all the things that we have. Is that too much to ask?

Vivat Jesus! Dave Cruse

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., Sergeant, Hanscon AFB, MA; Lee Brown, Master Sergeant, Army, Ft. Hood Texas; Jon P. Connolly, Major, Marine Corps, Hawaii; Scott Griffin, Sergeant, Army National Guard, USA; Zach Hay, Airman, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida; Evan Jones, 2nd Lt., Marine Corps, Camp Pendleton, CA; Stephani Luebben, Captain, Air Force, F.E. Warren AFB WY; Commander Michael A. Reed San Diego, CA; Brett Taylor, PFC, Army, Ft. Drum NY; Gregory Voloski, Chief Petty Officer, Navy, Des Moines, IA; Chris Wilbur, SPC, Army, Ft. Campbell, KY.



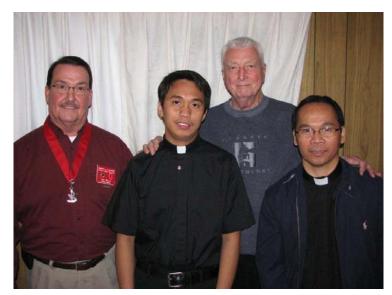




First Degree

The Tri-Cities Knights of Columbus Council 1098 recently welcomed two new members to its ranks. In a ceremonial First Degree Exemplification at the Troy K of C Council hall, Br. Jerwin Tilano and Fr. Manuel Cuizon were inducted. Grand Knight Tom Tritsch of the Troy council welcomed all the new members and congratulated them for taking the first step in their Knighthood.

Pictured left to right are District Deputy Joe Willis, Br. Jerwin Tilano, former Faithful Master James DeRuntz, and Fr. Manuel Cuizon.



From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary

ove is patient, love is kind. (1 Corinthians 13:4)
Since February is the month of LOVE, please
remember this Bible verse, maybe look it up and
read the whole chapter. Try to live this with every day
of your lives. It is rewarding!

Ladies, news will be brief, as we had no business meeting this month. Thanks to Jeannie Wilbur, Joan Achenbach, and Pat Alsop for providing the Ladies with another great Christmas Party.

Diane McIntyre wishes to thank everyone for their donations to the Layette Program. The response was great with good, usable items donated. Thanks Ladies for your LOVE of this project.

If you receive this Newsletter before February 2nd, please consider volunteering for the Annual Special Olympics Dinner/Dance to be held at the K.C. Hall. If would like to donate your time, please contact a Lady Officer or John Haug, Grand Knight. Your service will be greatly appreciated.

A list of future business items to be discussed are:

- 1. Vote on passage of Bylaws revisions.
- 2. Seminarian and novice's money distribution.
- 3. Planning for Easter Children's Party.
- Volunteers for the Ladies Auxiliary Program and Luncheon of the 4th Degree Exemplification at the Lady of Snows March 15, 16, 17 weekend.

Remember if you want an item to discuss, please call me at least one week in advance. If you wait until before the meeting, the subject WILL NOT BE DISCUSSED!

New year, your dues are payable. Please check your membership cards for expiration date. Dues and Membership Cards must be kept current.

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY

Nancy Diak

From the Financial Secretary

elcome to new members Mike Krystopa and Marlen Perkins. We also welcome John Sihrer who transferred into our council. Congratulations goes to Paul Hellrich who became a Honorary member.

I would like to thank everyone who has paid their dues. Keep them coming in. I will be sending out second notices at the end of the month. As always, if you have a financial problem in paying your dues please call myself or the Grand Knight; this will be kept confidential. Please keep me informed of any changes to your address or telephone number.

Richard Haack, 931-5340

Donations to be Voted on at the March Business Meeting

- \$12,500 St. Elizabeth ACSA support
- \$12,500 Holy Family ACSA support
- \$5,000 St. Mary & St. Mark ACSA support
- \$1,000 St. Mary Orthodox (Fr. Bob's Church)
- \$25,000 Holy Family School
- \$25,000 St. Elizabeth School

From the Columbus Home

any members took advantage of the club during the holidays (mainly the Santa Maria Lounge). In February we have another chance to enjoy the pleasant atmosphere when the Superbowl takes place Sunday evening, February 3rd. Everyone is invited and I hope we have a nice turnout of members.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS FOR ALL KNIGHTS

At the social meeting to be held Tuesday, February 26, 2013, at 7:30 pm, the Columbus Home Annual Meeting will take place. There will be a financial report and an operational report. Election of Officers and Board Members will also take place. This includes: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer (all 1 year terms), and three Board Members (all 3 year terms). Please consider attending so you might take advantage of your vote. Consider also running for an office. Talk to one of the current officers or board members to find out what can be involved during a serve. We will be glad to discuss it with you. If you are interested in running for any office, see either Ron Reish or Carl Petty to get your name entered in nomination. Hope to see you at the meeting as well as club events.

Come out and take advantage of a great facility.

WALT BRUCH, CHA PRESIDENT

For Thought and Reflection

The Man in the Glass

by Peter Dale Wimbrow, Jr.

When you get what you want in your struggle for self And the world makes you King for a day, Just go to the mirror and look at yourself And see what that man has to say.

For it isn't your parents, your children or wife Whose judgment upon you must pass The fellow whose verdict counts most in your life Is the one staring back from the glass.

Some people may think you're a straight-shooting chum And call you a wonderful guy
But the man in the glass says you're only a bum
If you can't look him straight in the eye.

He's the fellow to please, never mind the rest For he's with you clear up to the end And you've passed your most dangerous, difficult test If the man in the glass if your friend.

You may fool the whole world down the pathways of life And get pats on your back as you pass But your final reward will be heartaches and tears If you've cheated the man in the glass.

(Poem submitted by Walt Bruch)

FEBRUARY 2013

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team	2 15th Annual Special Olympics Dinner/Dance
3 Schuler Bingo Team	4	5	6	7 5th Degree Workday	8 Petty Bingo Team	9
10 Rotter/Gray Bingo Team	Columbus Home Meeting 7:00 pm	12 KC Business Meeting 7:30 pm	Ash Wednesday	5th Degree Workday Happy Valentine's Day	15 Friedel Bingo Team	16
17 Softball Bingo Team	18 President's Day	19 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 4th Degree Meeting 7:30 pm	20	21 5th Degree Workday	22 Dillier Bingo Team	23
24 Cauble Bingo Team Newsletter Items Due	25	26 KC Social Meeting 7:30 pm	27	28 5th Degree Workday		

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