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### Dates to Remember

March 4th & 5th: 4th Degree Exemplification

March 29th: Note the Change to 4th Degree / Ladies Auxiliary Meetings

## Knight News

#### A Word From the Grand Knight

n Saturday, February 5th I had the opportunity to spend some great quality time with two of my favorite groups of people. These are the athletes of Special Olympics Area 12 and the women and men associated with Council 1098. All I can say is our Council really knows how to throw a party. I think everyone in the building had a great time and, as always, the teamwork was excellent.

With Mike Austin's help, last year we brought the cake baking in-house. This year we took on another cost-saving task by frying the chicken strips ourselves. Carl Petty checked pricing on the chicken strips and discovered we could get the same product we've been using throughout the years at a reasonable cost. Tom Voloski stepped up to do the frying and after a test fry it was decided we'd have no problem getting it done in time. With Carl and Steve Cauble's help. Tom did an outstanding job of preparing the chicken. It was fresher and warmer than ever when served and they only had to cook what we needed which eliminated waste. We have a few cases left over so I'm figuring we'll have some chicken strips at an upcoming social meeting.

It was great to have the Granite City Police Department's Nuisance Abatement Team as guests at the party this year. Lieutenant Craig Knight and his group addressed the crowd then had dinner with them. After dinner they visited with the athletes and posed for pictures as well as took many pictures. The law enforcement communities are huge supporters of Special Olympics but don't get much opportunity to spend time with the athletes. We were able to give them that opportunity and they really appreciated it.

One small disappointment was the snowfall the Friday night before the party. The street department did a fine job clearing the roads around our hall and Mary had the parking lot cleared first thing in the morning. Regrettably some of the outlying communities got much more snow than us and some groups couldn't attend. My estimations are that we were about 150 guests short. I'm working with the Director of Area 12 to pick a date a little later on that won't interfere with their event competition and give us a chance of better weather. Three or four weeks could make a big difference.

**THANKS TO EVERYONE** (volunteers and Columbus Home staff) for making this event so successful and bringing joy to some of God's special people.

Donna, who works the bingo-mates at bingos, has been diagnosed with a serious illness. The Council, Assembly and Columbus Home are teaming up to put on a Chicken and Beer Dance benefit on her behalf. Please see the article in this newsletter for the details and join us if you can.

Hope to see you soon,

John Haug, Sr.

#### From the Faithful Navigator

hank you to all who attended the Communion Breakfast January 30th. I especially want to thank the Honor Guard who attended the Mass at Holy Family Church. It would be nice if we could get more members to volunteer to help do the cooking so the Honor Guard members wouldn't have to make up the majority of the cook group. (Watch for Mass pictures in next month's newsletter.)

The March meeting will be held Tuesday March 29th which is the 5th Tuesday instead of the regular meeting night. This is being done to allow the membership to attend the Mission that is being held at our three parishes March 13-14-15 & 16. I hope this does not cause anyone any inconvenience.

The March 4th and 5th Exemplification is fast approaching. Don't forget it has been moved from Our Lady of the Snows to the Ramada Inn in Fairview Heights. After losing and gaining two candidates, we remain at twelve for this class of 4th Degree members.

All the tickets for the Banquet and Lady's Luncheon are reserved. I will pick them up on the morning of the Exemplification.

Congratulations to Council 1098 for another job well done!! The Area 12 Special Olympics banquet was another Masterpiece! This was another example of our K of C State motto of "What Works? Teamwork." Thank you for being a part of it.

The election of officers for the next Fraternal Year will be held during the May 17th meeting. I have asked John Struabinger to be a part of the Election Committee along with the three Trustees. Talk to John Struabinger, Walt Bruch, Joe Schuler or Steve Cauble to let them know you plan to run for an office.

Vivat Jesus

George Friedel

#### **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, 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; Michael Ryan, Ft. Knox, KY; Jason Scaturro, Sergeant, Army, Iraq; Brett Taylor, PFC, Army, Ft. Drum NY; Gregory Voloski, Chief Petty Officer, Navy, Des Moines, IA; Chris Wilbur, SPC, Army, Afghanistan.

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

January 25, 2011

Rudy Hoffek won the 50/50 drawing and Marty Thomason won the attendance drawing.

February 8, 2011

Tim Wimberly won the 50/50 drawing and James Ridenhour failed to win the attendance drawing.

#### Benefit Chicken & Beer Dance March 26th 6:00—11:00 pm



Tickets are \$25.00 per couple / \$15.00 single. Tickets can be picked up at the KC Hall Santa Maria Lounge.

Silent Auction—Contact Joe or Jamie Schuler if you have items to donate.

Chicken, beer and sides will be provided by Council 1098/Assembly 0224.

Music is by Premiere Sound. All proceeds will go directly to Donna.

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

he "Sparkles and Sweets" fundraiser was a very nice success. The total profit was \$3,484.58.

Thank you to all the ladies for your time and support.

Cleo Schnefke would like help with the quilting. The next quilt date will be March 1st at 10:15 am. Please come out and help if you have the time or this project may be discontinued.

Please mark your calendars! Our next Ladies Auxiliary meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 29, 2011, at 7:30 pm. All three churches will be hosting the mission during our regular meeting time.

The Knights of Columbus Convention will be held in Springfield, Illinois, on April 29th to May 1st. The Auxiliary Lady of the Year nomination was Betty Stegemeier. Good Luck, Betty!

The Knights Bowling Tournament will be held in Highland on April 10, 2011. The cost is \$10 per person. If you would like to sign up, please call Marie Gray. The tournament benefits our seminarians.

We are in need of a chairperson for the Easter party, please keep this in mind.

Prayer requests were made for Bev Lenzi, Carolyn Campos, and Margaret DeRuntz. Please keep these ladies in your prayers.

Our monthly outreach will be for the Phoenix House. They are in need of hair conditioner and tampons.

This past January marked the 38th year of Roe vs. Wade. Let us pray that we see this law overturned. We as a nation have bought into the lie that this is O.K. Let us think about what is really happening to that baby in the womb. As women, this goes against our very nature to nurture.

Please spend time with Our Lord. Adoration is at St. Mary's on Wednesdays from 9:00 am—3:00 pm, and at St. Elizabeth's from 9:00 am—6:30 pm, with Benediction at 6:30 pm.

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Kathy Mangi

#### From the Scholarship Chairman

cholarship applications for 8th grade graduates of 2011 attending a Catholic High School their freshman year and scholarship applications for high school seniors graduating in 2011 who will be attending an accredited educational institution in the fall of 2011 will be available Tuesday, March 8, 2011.

Scholarships are offered only to Council 1098 or Assembly 0224 children or grandchildren. <u>The</u> postmarked deadline for both of these scholarships is <u>Friday, April 15, 2011.</u> Late or incomplete applications will <u>not</u> be considered. Sponsoring members must be <u>active</u> and must have one consecutive year of membership in good standing prior to the date of the scholarship deadline.

Applications may be picked up at the K of C Hall in the Santa Maria Lounge.

Andy Yurko

#### From the Financial Secretary

ues are still coming in. If you have not paid your 2011 dues, please send in your money so we do not have to send out a 3rd notice. If anyone knows James R. Marshall and where he has moved to, please let me know so I can get in touch with him so see if he still wants to be a member. He moved and left no forwarding address. Remember to notify me of any change of address or phone numbers. Thank you.

Richard Haack, 931-5340

# **MARCH 2011**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3 5th Degree Workday	4 Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team	5
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6 Schuler Bingo Team	7 Columbus Home Meeting 7:00 pm	8  KC Business  Meeting  7:30 pm	9	10 5th Degree Workday	11 Petty Bingo Team	12
13 Rotter/Gray Bingo Team	14	15 No Meetings— Date Change	16	17 5th Degree Workday	18 Friedel Bingo Team	19
The Keys to Happiness Mission  March 13-16—7:00 pm each night						
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Softball Bingo Team Newsletter Items Due 6:00 pm		KC Social Meeting 7:30 pm		5th Degree Workday	Dillier Bingo Team	Donna Ensor Benefit Chicken & Beer Dance 6:00—11:00 pm
27 Cauble Bingo Team	28	29 Ladies Auxiliary Mtg.  4th Degree Meeting 7:30 pm	30	31		

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From start to finish, the Special Olympics Dinner/Dance event highlights how well our members and their families work together.













**Welcome Athletes!** 















**Meet the Teams** 































