



Knights of Columbus

George R. Kutterer Council 6165

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February 2017 Newsletter



Grand Knight's Message

We lost another brother in January. Dr. Edilberto Maglasang passed away on January 16th. We pray that God will welcome Dr. Maglasang to His heavenly kingdom and send His comfort and His strength to the Maglasang family.

I would like to offer a warm welcome to our new brothers Jonathan Gilbreth, Ryan Glasscock, Louis Reitz, and Justin Knobloch who became First Degree Knights at our January Admission (First) Degree immediately preceding our Council meeting on the 12th. And we welcome a new 4th Degree, Sir Knight David (Bud) Bollone, who transferred to our Council from his previous Council in Suffolk, VA. I ask that you support these men through your prayers and your guidance as they familiarize themselves with how our Council serves the parish and the community. Congratulations and welcome!!!

The January ice storm kept donors away from the KC/Red Cross Blood Drive held on Sunday, January 15th. There is a desperate need for blood these days and we only collected 19 units in January. We will hold the next blood drive on March 19th after all Masses. Please give if you are able and spread the word to your family, friends, and neighbors.

The 2017 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest was postponed from its original date of January 14th and held the next week on Saturday, January 21st. Congratulations to our champs Kinley Jany, Allison Stark, Karsen Jany, Zoe Swip, Emily Pfeffer, Drew Hagedorn,

Michael Wessel, Ethan Ernst, Brian Stark, and Isaac Schreckenberg. And our thanks to Outside Guard Matt Buhr for leading this popular event for us!

Also held on that same day was the 2017 Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee. It got off to a rocky start, having only a Spanish word list with which to work, but Jim VonDerHaar and his crew saved the day and the bee went off without further incident. Congratulations to First Place winner **Noah Boyer-Edwards**, Second Place winner **Brock Murphy**, and Third Place winner **Ethan Ernst**. Our spelling bee is the only spelling bee in our district, so the winners will go on to participate in the regional spelling bee. Our thanks to Jim for leading this event, all who helped put it together, and PGK Bob Stadler, his wife Pat, and CMS teacher Teresa Fehrenz who officiated for us.

The Family Committee is looking forward to a new and more detailed Building the Domestic Church program for 2017. They will be working with the parish staff to integrate some of the Knights-sponsored events with some parish events to reduce redundancy and improve focus. Committee members Nick Matrisotto, Ted Haney, and Brian Repp are working on Family Bowling Night to be held on Sunday, February 19th at West Park Bowl. More details coming soon!

Nick and his team still hold Card Lotto on the third Tuesday of every month at 7:00pm at Columbia Convalescent Center. February Card Lotto will be held on the 21st and they can always use more

help. Please contact Nick Matrisotto at stlouisareamaps@aol.com or at (314) 609-7092 if you have questions or would like to volunteer.

The 2017 Knight of Columbus Council 6165 Scholarship Essay Contest will be held on Sunday, March 12th at 11:00am in the KC room. The contest is open to any Immaculate Conception eighth grader who plans to attend a local Catholic High School. The winner will receive a \$2000.00 scholarship, payable over 4 years in \$500.00 payments, to the Catholic high school of their choice.

If you haven't already done so, please return your dues as soon as possible. Financial Secretary Kevin Hutchinson has a lot of number crunching to do so help him out by returning them as soon as possible.

And finally, I am pleased to announce that this year the KC fish fires will be expanded to include **every Friday, after the first Friday, during Lent**. We will need help from the entire parish, both as volunteers and patrons, to pull this off. And we will need all the Knights we can get to help train and mentor people who have never worked a fish fry before. A portion of the proceeds will go to help build the Catholic Education and Activities Center. Our thanks to Mary Schroeder for staffing the sign-up table after Mass. It is my hope that this brings the entire parish closer together as we work toward a common goal. You can go to our website to sign up online.

Vivat Jesus!
Pat Grawitch



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Right: 2017 Free Throw Competition Champs

Below: 2017 Spelling Bee First, Second, and Third Place Winners



Calendar of Events

Eucharistic Adoration- Every Tuesday

9:00am-10:00pm in the Reservation Chapel

Council Meeting- February 9th at 7:30pm

Family Bowling Night- Sunday, February 19th

5:45pm at West Park Bowl (No School on Mon)

Fish Fries- Ash Wednesday, and every Friday, except the first Friday, of Lent.

KC Scholarship Essay Contest- March 12th at 11:00am

Blood Drive- March 19th After All Masses

Thanks!!! Years of Service as a Knight *Thanks!!!*

Donald J Happy	62	Mark J Schmersahl	29	Devin V Dalpoas	7
James P Lawlor	62	Thomas E Ryterski	25	Shawn S Spruill	7
Darrell P May	51	Joseph A Butler	18	Brian A Thole	7
Ronald P Bequette	43	Charles A Turner	14	Justin A Beckman	4
Norman J Schaefer	43	Richard C Stockard	11	Alan J Beckman	4
Augusto Ferreira	40	Jay B Unnerstall	11	Patrick E Grawitch	4
William D Harbaugh	40	Edward I Williamson	11	Mark G Hammond	4
Mgysgt George R Kutterer	40	Robert C Alvarez	10	Joshua L Luebbehusen	4
James A Metter	40	Ronald J Graff	10	Brian D Repp	4
Roger L Siburt	34	Michael A Hollman	10	Robert E Stadler	4
James C Lansing	32	James J Huch	10	Bruce G Wicklein	2
John K Dammrich	30	Randy L Rachell	10	Matthew J Buhr	1
Philip J Bohn	29	Adam C Weiler	10	Ryan L Crawford	1
Stephen G Dressler	29	Brian C Schutzenhofer	9	Jason P Donjon	1
David P Haislar	29	Michael J Becherer	7	Geoffery A Mckay	1
Terry A Reichert	29	Chris L Curtis	7		