



# Knights of Columbus

## George R. Kutterer Council 6165

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### February 2023 Newsletter

#### Spelling Bee

Congratulations to Shawn Michael Stuart, winner of the 2022 Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee. 2<sup>nd</sup> place goes to Lorelei Lockart, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place goes to Joey Stuart. Thanks for participating, and thanks to the parents for staying afterward so the kids could participate in practice rounds for extra experience.

#### Free Throw Contest

Winners from our Council free throw contest were Carolyn Randle, Maggie Buhr, Mary Buhr, Luke Ernst, Jack Holston, Mason Tharp, Camden Bodinet, and Emmett Bodinet. District winners included Maggie and Mary Buhr, and Jack Holston. They will compete in the regional contest at Mater Dei High School in March. Good luck!!!

#### 2023 Fish Fries

The fish fry dates for the 2023 season are as follows: Ash Wednesday, February 22, Friday, March 10, Friday, March 31, and Good Friday, April 7. As always, we are looking for workers to help cut, bread, and fry fish, run the cash registers, pack orders, and clean up. Many hands make light work. [Click here](#) to sign up online to email us at [gk@kofc6165.org](mailto:gk@kofc6165.org) to volunteer to work.

#### Blood Drive

The next KC/Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 from 8am until 1pm. Our thanks once again to James Huch for running the show single-handed. Thanks Jimmy!!!

#### Scholarship Essay Contest

The Knights of Columbus Catholic High School Scholarship Essay Contest will be held on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm in ICS room 225 (Mr. Kassebaum's room). In accordance with Contest rules: No late entry/or make-up dates. The Contest prize is one \$2000 scholarship - payable in (4) installments of \$500 - directly to the Catholic high school of winner's choice. The Contest participant must be ICC Parish Member, who will be an entering freshman of a Catholic high school for the 2022-2023 school year.

#### Next Council Meeting and Degree Exemplification

Our next council meeting will be on Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7pm in the Knights room. Come join us for the meeting and stay for refreshments and conversation.

#### Continuous Years of Service as a Knight

James P Lawlor Jr	68
Donald J Happy	68
Darrell P May	57
Norman J Schaefer	49
Rev Augusto Ferreira	46
Mgysgt George R Kutterer	46
James A Metter	46
Roger L Siburt	40
James C Lansing	38
John K Dammrich	36
Philip J Bohn	35
Stephen G Dressler	35
David P Haislar	35
Terry A Reichert	35
Mark J Schmersahl	35
Thomas E Ryterski	31
Joseph A Butler	24
Robert Alvarez	16
Michael A Hollman	16
James J Huch	16
Adam C Weiler	16
Robert A Karsznia Jr	14
Chris L Curtis	13
Shawn S Spruill	13
Paul J Scozzari	11
Patrick E Grawitch	10
Joshua L Luebbehusen	10
Brian D Repp	10
Bruce G Wicklein	8
Matthew J Buhr	7



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### Into the Breach Lenten Discussion Group

Our council will be hosting an Into the Breach Lenten program on all Monday nights during Lent at 7pm in the Knights room. The dates are February 27th, March 6th, March 13th, March 20th, March 27th, and April 3rd. All are welcome including those who are not Knights. The purpose of the program will be to discuss the challenges faced by men of faith and the general crisis of faith in our world today. We hope that through this Lenten program, we as men may be better equipped to put our faith into action amid the spiritual battle we are faced with, and in turn be able to strengthen our lives, our families, and our community. For more information, please contact Tom R. Braun at [trb@htc.net](mailto:trb@htc.net) or Matt Sainz at [financialsecretarykc6165@gmail.com](mailto:financialsecretarykc6165@gmail.com). [Click here](#) to watch a video trailer.

### Into the Breach Membership Drive

We will conduct an "Into the Breach" themed informational event on Saturday, February 11th, from 9am to 11am. An invitation went out to attract men from other parishes in the area. We will have guests from the Diocesan Council and State Council to speak on the new opportunities the organization offers men and their families. Our council's Financial Secretary Matt Sainz will say a few words about why he became a Knight and what he gets from his involvement in Knights of Columbus Council 6165.

Our thanks to all the boys and girls who participated in the Spelling Bee, and the winners who competed in the district spelling bee. It takes a lot of courage to stand up in front of a crowd of people to spell some of the trickiest words in the English language.



Thanks also to our Free Throw Contest contestants, and congratulations to the winners. We wish the best to all those who will move on to compete in the regional contest. Good luck!!!

Above: District Free Throw Contest winners.

Right: Council level winners.

