



# Knights of Columbus

## George R. Kutterer Council 6165

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[www.kofc6165.org](http://www.kofc6165.org)

January 2018 Newsletter

Happy New Year!!!

### Grand Knight's Message

Congratulations to Pat Grawitch on being selected as the Knight of the Year. Pat is truly deserving of this honor as he develops the newsletter, takes care of our website [www.kofc6165.org](http://www.kofc6165.org) and helps with every event. Our biggest endeavor of the year is the Fish Fries stating in less than 45 days, coinciding with the start of the Advent Season. New this year we are looking to assemble teams of 4-5 persons devoted to cleaning at the end of each fry in addition to the traditional crews. We are asking for volunteers to help with the Free throw competition and Fat Tuesday celebration. We have many more opportunities to get involved... It's up to you.

Vivat Jesus  
Pat McDermott

### **WHAT'S GOING ON...**

The Texas Hold 'em Tournament went very well for our first time out. We had a fair amount of players and all had a great time. The event was hosted in the Garden Level of ICC on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. We appreciate the help given by Columbia Alderman Jeff Huch and Devon Dalpoas, who has years of experience hosting a similar event for the ICS Father's Club. We gained a lot of experience for next year's tournament. Thanks to Worthy Grand Knight Pat McDermott for running the event.

The Parish Christmas Party was once again a great success. We had the rare opportunity to present a REAL check from the Tootsie Roll Drive to the

Monroe Council for the Handicapped. The check, in the amount of \$6,222.83, was accepted by Denny Ward with great appreciation for all the work that goes into making the event happen and for the generosity of the people of Monroe County.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

The KC Free Throw Contest will be held on, Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00am in the ICS gym. Boys and girls from Columbia schools, ages 9-14, can participate. Registration/warm-up will begin at 7:30, shooting starts at 8:00. Visit the Events webpage at <http://www.kofc6165.org/events> to download the registration document or arrive early to register at the door. We need 4-5 people to help with registration and scoring. Contact John Adams at 314-749-6064 if you can help. Thanks to John and Brian for stepping in to lead this event.

The Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee will be held on the same day, Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00am in the KC Room. All kids from Waterloo, Dupou, and Columbia schools, grades 3 thru 8, are eligible to participate. Go to our website (<http://www.kofc6165.org/events>) to preregister or arrive around 9:45 to register at the door.

Family Card Lotto will be held on Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at Columbia Convalescent Center. Contact Nick Matrisotto at 314-609-7092 if you would like to help, or just show up. Fish fry season is fast approaching. Ash Wednesday comes early this year on February 14<sup>th</sup>, St. Valentine's Day. We

will be in need of many volunteers, not just Knights, to help make them happen. Spread the word and invite family and friends to help. As mentioned in the Grand Knight's message, we're looking for 4 or 5 teams to run clean-up after the many long Fridays of fish frying and food service. Contact Jim VonDerHaar at [jvonderhaar@bhhsselectstl.com](mailto:jvonderhaar@bhhsselectstl.com) or Bob Stadler at [rstadlerjr@gmail.com](mailto:rstadlerjr@gmail.com) if you can help in that respect. And look for online sign-up sheets coming soon to the website.

KC Council 6165 Scholarship Essay Contest will be held on Sunday, March 11, 2018 at 1:00pm. The contest for a \$2000.00 scholarship, payable to the Catholic high school of their choice, is open to any ICC parishioner in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade during the 2017-18 school year.

We are still looking for a replacement for Financial Secretary Kevin Hutchinson who has served our Council as Financial Secretary for almost 8 years. If you would like to nominate someone or volunteer yourself to serve our Council in this capacity, please contact Pat McDermott at [gk@kofc6165.org](mailto:gk@kofc6165.org) or at 618-779-1183.

Do you know someone who would make a great Knight? If so, have them contact Steve Dressler at 618-281-7889 or at [dresslersg@charter.net](mailto:dresslersg@charter.net) or Grand Knight Pat McDermott at [gk@kofc6165.org](mailto:gk@kofc6165.org) at 618-779-1183. We would be happy to conduct an Admission (First) Degree for any candidate(s) who would like to join our Order. Our next council meeting will be on January 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. Hope to see you there!!!



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## Years of Service as a Knight

James E Toenjes	60
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Joseph R Gundlach	19
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Kevin W Hutchinson	13
Alcibiades R Perez	6
Thomas R Braun	5
Jonathan Gilbreth	1
Ryan Glasscock	1
Justin Knobloch	1
Louis Reitz	1

Denny Ward (center) accepts a check from the IDD (Tootsie Roll Drive) from Co-Chair Pat Grawitch (left) and Emcee John Whitworth (right). Our council raised \$6,222.83 for the Monroe Council for the Handicapped through the generosity of the citizens of Monroe County.



2017 Knight of the Year Pat Grawitch, with his wife Tina and daughter Katie.

*Thanks!!!*

## Calendar of Events

**Eucharistic Adoration-** Every Tuesday

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

**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God-** January 1

**KC Council Meeting-** January 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm

**Family Card Lotto-** January 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

**Blood Drive-** January 14<sup>th</sup> After All Masses

**KC Free Throw Contest-** January 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am

**KC Spelling Bee-** January 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am

**Lent Begins-** Ash Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>

**KC Scholarship Essay Contest-** March 11 at 1:00pm

**Fish Fry** schedule coming soon.



If you know someone who is interested in becoming a knight, please have them contact Steve Dressler at [dresslersg@charter.net](mailto:dresslersg@charter.net) (618) 281-7889 or contact Pat McDermott at [mcdermott.pat91@gmail.com](mailto:mcdermott.pat91@gmail.com) or at (618) 779-1183. Our order is open to any practical catholic male 18 years or older.



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