Knights of Columbus



George R. Kutterer Council 6165

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November 2015 Newsletter



Grand Knight's Message

My congratulations to you on being awarded the 2015 Columbian Award for service to the community. We have a very active and dedicated council and this award is well deserved. I'm proud to be a part of it. h

As most of you are aware we have taken leave of our church on Main Street and the George R. Kutterer Council was well represented by the 4th Degree Honor Guard made up of Mike Ledbetter, John Whitworth, Steve Dressler, Walter Novak, John Haubrich, Ken Ebers, and Keith Renner. It was a bitter-sweet event where we remembered the good times and the bad, shared joys and sorrows, and looked toward a bright future in our new home on Palmer Road.

Our thanks go out to the Knights who worked 12 shifts at the Monroe County Fair back in July. Their donation of time earned more than \$1200.00 for our council. Thanks brothers.

On October 20th our council played host to a sales luncheon at Budnick Converting. The luncheon was donated by the Knights to the ICS Dinner Auction and Budnick was the winning bidder for the second year in a row. And for the second time Budnick was very happy with our food and the great people who served it. John Haubrich led this initiative, helped by Mark Funfsinn, Bob Stadler, Steve Dressler, Tom Farr, Mike Heller, Bob Karsznia, and Keith Renner.

You guys might be able to set up a side business.

As usual, Knights had a lot of fun playing Card Lotto with the residents of Columbia Convalescent Center, this month on October 20th. Nick Matrisotto and his crew of dedicated Knights make this happen on the third Tuesday of every month. If you want to be a part of this worthy ministry contact Nick at stlouisareamaps@aol.com or just show up. They welcome all takers and you will have a great time.

On the weekend of October 24th and 25th our parish celebrated Priesthood Sunday. Please continue to pray for young men everywhere who are considering the priesthood as their vocation. May God strengthen them with courage and conviction as they discern a life of sacrifice and selfless service to others.

Vocations raffle tickets are in the mail. Please sell/buy as many as you can to support our seminarians. Return them to John Haubrich by November 20th.

Friday, October 23rd Family Fun Night featured Brother John Adams speaking on faith and ancestry. As John nursed a sore throat the children enjoyed watching the original Toy Story. They had to make a special run for popcorn it was so popular.

Trunk or Treat is always a fun time and this year was no exception. Held on Sunday, October 25th, we grilled and served 250 hot dogs and manned the

soda booth as well. Steve Dressler's hot apple cider was a big hit as usual.

God willing, we will have another 1st Degree Ceremony prior to the council meeting on Thursday, November 12th at 7:00. We have two candidates so far. If you know someone who would like to be a part of our active council, please contact me at gk@kofc6165.org (314-495-0742) or Steve Dressler at dresslersg@charter.net (618-570-9284). At the meeting we will also vote for Knight of the Year. We have some nominations already. There's still time to nominate someone at the meeting before we vote.

Join us for the Fall Festival and Hayride on Saturday, November 7th from 6pm-10pm. We'll serve chili, hot dogs, smores and apple cider. It's a great time to enjoy the fall weather and talk with friends. We can always use the help serving but especially need help to clean up the mess. Hope to see you there.

And finally, we extend our sympathies to Outside Guard Jim VonDerHaar and his dad Jim, Sr. on the loss if Jim's mom Peggy. And Brother Knight Rob Powers lost his brother Bob Hayden to cancer on October 23, 2015. Bob Hayden was a 31 year old St. Louis County police officer, husband and father of two boys. Please keep our brothers and their families in your prayers.

Vivat Jesus!

Pat Grawitch

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The Budnick Crew: Bob Stadler, Tom Farr, Mark Funfsinn, Bob Karsznia, Steve Dressler, and Keith Renner. Missing from the photo are grill master Mike Heller and event leader John Haubrich.

Grilling hot dogs and serving soda and cider required a well-oiled machine. Mike Heller, Pat McDermott, Steve Wilson, Jimmy Huch, Steve Dressler, Scott Hippisley, Bob Stadler and me (behind the camera) helped keep the kids and parents at Trunk or Treat well fed.



Calendar of Events

Fall Festival and Hayride November 7th 6:00-10:00pm Veterans Day November 11th First Degree Ceremony November 12th,7:00 General Membership Meeting November 12th, 7:30pm Columbus Day Holiday October 12th Card Lotto November 17, 7:00pm Blood Drive November 22nd After all Sunday masses Christmas Party December 12th

If you know someone who is interested in becoming a knight, please have them contact Steve Dressler at dresslersg@charter.net (618) 281-7889 or Pat Grawitch at tgrawitch@charter.net (314) 495-0742. Our order is open to any practical catholic male 18 years or older.