



Knights of Columbus

George R. Kutterer Council 6165

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September 2017 Newsletter

Grand Knight's Message

The next few years will be exciting times for our parish. Our new, larger church with offices, K of C room, and other facilities, is complete and paid off. Now we begin construction of the \$11.6M Catholic Education and Activity Center (with classrooms for preschool through 8th grade) and the subsequent athletic fields/facilities. We, as the Knights of Columbus, have the opportunity to be an important part of completing our campus which will serve our parish for many decades. Our membership is our greatest asset. I invite you to get involved. For some of us it has been quite some time since we have been to a meeting or event. Don't let that stop you. Enjoy fellowship with a purpose, even if for only one event a year. The upcoming Tootsie Roll Drive and First Annual K of C Car Show will hopefully re-light your interest.

The Back to School Social Night was held on Friday, August 25th at 6:00pm in the Garden Level. Fun and frivolity were had by all. Parents enjoyed having time to relax while the kids made pizzas and ice cream floats. Thanks to the Family Committee, Nick Matrisotto, Ted Haney, and Brian Repp for leading our most active committee.

Our Council is once again please to sponsor the 2017 Life Walk to benefit Life Network of Southern Illinois on Saturday, September 16th. We made a single contribution plus will contribute \$25.00 per Council 6165 Knight who participates. Join the fun and help the cause. The Life Network works with young people faced with the challenges

of an unplanned pregnancy. Your donations help to provide counseling, ultrasounds, baby formula, diapers, and many other items needed to help their clients choose life for their baby, instead of abortion.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tootsie Roll Drive. This event is a major fundraiser to benefit individuals with disabilities in Monroe County. We will be soliciting donations at several locations in Columbia from 6am-6pm Friday, September 15th and from 7am-4pm Saturday, September 16th. Get your



family and friends involved and let them see some of the good things the Knights of Columbus does. Thanks to Pat Grawitch and Kevin Hutchinson for coordinating this event. Go to our web site at www.kofc6165.org or email Pat Grawitch at pgrawitch@gmail.com to get more information and sign up to work a few shifts. This is our signature event and we need help from everyone.

Car Show. The first annual Car, Truck, Motorcycle and Tractor Family Fun Show will be held on Saturday, October 14, 2017. The vehicles will be displayed on the upper parking lot of Immaculate Conception Church at 411 Palmer Road. The cost of registration is \$15 and will be open from 9:00am-11:00am. Each

exhibitor will receive a dash plaque, attendance prize and 6 votes. People's Choice voting from 11:00am-2:00pm with trophies for Best of Show in four categories plus specialty awards. Music provided by Hot Rod Nights, there will be a 50/50 raffle, and the Knights will provide concessions for purchase. We will need many volunteers to set-up, staff the registration table, park cars, cook and serve food, and break down tents and tables. See the web site at www.kofc6165.org to sign up to work. To get additional information contact Steve Wilson or Bob Stadler at KC6165Show@yahoo.com. If anyone would like copies of the flyer they may be picked up at the parish office during regular business hours.

Family Card Lotto. The monthly Family Card Lotto at the Columbia Rehab and Nursing Center, 253 Bradington Drive will be held on Tuesday, September 19th from 7-8pm. Thanks to Nick Matrisoto for leading this worthwhile ministry.

Blood Drive will be Sunday, September 17th from 8am-1pm in the Garden Level. Meeting. Our next meeting is Thursday, August 10th at 7:30pm in the K of C room in the Garden Level.

Lastly, Kevin Hutchinson has served our Council as Financial Secretary for over 7 years and is looking retire from this position. If you would like to serve our Council in this capacity, please contact me at gk@kofc6165.org or at 618-779-1183. We need you!

Vivat Jesus!

Pat McDermott



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Years of Service as a Knight

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| Harold C Stemler | 63 |
| James R Schmidt | 48 |
| John P Kinane | 40 |
| Richard A Kish | 40 |
| John R Kish | 40 |
| Denis U Ling | 40 |
| Donald R Neff | 40 |
| Michael S Lawlor | 39 |
| Kenneth J Ebers | 37 |
| Gregory J Howell | 37 |
| Marty A Raeber | 35 |
| J Michael Heller | 30 |
| John S Olsson | 30 |
| Mark W Brigman | 25 |
| Richard S De Laria | 17 |
| Ron L Dexter | 17 |
| Eugene W Ehrhard | 17 |
| Kevin D Hennes | 17 |
| Michael T Romano | 17 |
| Allen O Siegel | 17 |
| Joseph R Murphy | 14 |
| Keith C Renner | 14 |
| Ian C Hayden | 11 |
| Scott M Hippisley | 10 |
| John P Soetaert | 10 |
| Josh R Smith | 9 |
| Stephen D Wilson | 2 |

Knights and their wives served dinner and desserts at the Back to School Family Social. A great time was had by all thanks to the Family Committee and their spouses.



Shannon Haney, wife of Ted Haney, staffing the drink station.



Nick Matrisotto helps serve mostaccioli.

Thanks!!!

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Calendar of Events

Eucharistic Adoration- Every Tuesday

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

KC Council Meeting- September 14th at 7:30pm

Tootsie Roll Drive- September 15th & 16th

Blood Drive- September 17th After All Masses

Family Card Lotto- September 19th at 7:00pm

Car Show/Concession Stand- October 14th 9:00am-2:00pm

