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May 2014 Newsletter

Brother Knights,

If you missed our April meeting, I am pleased to announce that **Kevin Beabout, Tom Prindville, Patrick McDermott** and **John Williams** became new members of the Knights of Columbus, participating in our First Degree ceremony. **Steve Dressler** marked the occasion by bringing a huge pot of his world famous chili for all to enjoy. Please join me in welcoming these new Knights.

Our **Fish Fry** on Good Friday ended another successful season of these well-attended, Parish events. We are grateful to **Chris Sueme** and **Jeremy Stemler** for leading, as well as to all the Knights and Parishioners who assisted in preparing, frying and serving, as well as cleaning up afterward.

Mike Behnen reported the annual **Life Network Spring Banquet**, celebrating 20 years of service to southern Illinois, had 750 attendees at The Falls on 4/10 & 4/11/14. The program included a touching testimonial by a young lady who 15 years ago had considered an abortion at the age of 19. Her 15 year old daughter stood by her as she expressed appreciation and described the counsel, compassion and services she received from Life Network during the early stages of a her crisis pregnancy.

On Wednesday, 4/23/14, Knights prepared and served a BBQ lunch to the successful bidder at the

ICS Auction, donated by our Council. Thanks to **John Haurbrich** and **Joe Dent** for their efforts and for taking time off work to accommodate this mid-day, mid-week requested event.

As with Catholic tradition, May is the month of Mary. **Mike Romano**, our Church service program director, will coordinate Knights to honor our heavenly Mother by leading the ICC congregation in saying the **Rosary** before each Mass in the month. If willing to assist Mike, please email him at mikcha99@gmail.com. To further honor Mary and our earthly mothers on Mother's Day, the Sanctity of Life Ministry will be selling red roses. Proceeds will go to the Project Rachel organization to help women who have had abortions and need spiritual healing assistance.

We will again celebrate **Mother's Day** by preparing a hot breakfast

for our Parish mothers and their families on Sunday, 5/11/14, from 8:00am until 11:00am. Assistance is requested at the new church location starting at 5:30am to prepare sausage, eggs, pancakes and biscuits."

Jim Huch coordinates our Knight sponsored **Blood Drives** in the Garden Level of ICC, and could benefit from some help on those designated Sundays as well as from a greater level of donor participation by fellow Knights. Our next blood drive is scheduled for 5/18/14.

Our **Family service team** continues **Card Lotto** at the Columbia Convalescent Center. Residents enjoy these monthly visits which could benefit by more Knights participating. The next Card Lotto will be on 5/20/14. Please contact Nick Matrisotto if willing to assist.

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Calendar of Events

Every Tuesday Eucharistic Adoration at the Old Church

- 05/02 - KC Social Night** - ICC Garden Area - 6:00pm
- 05/08 - 1st Degree Ceremony** (before the meeting) - 7:00pm
- 05/08 - General Membership Meeting** - 7:30pm
- 05/11 - Mother's Day Breakfast** - Garden Level - 8:00am-11:00am
- 05/18 - KC Blood Drive** - ICC, Red Cross Bus - 8:00am-1:00pm
- 05/20 - Card Lotto** - Columbia Convalescent Home - 7:00pm
- 05/26 - Memorial Day Holiday**
- 06/12 - General Membership Meeting** - 7:30pm
- 06/16 - Father's Day Celebration**
- 06/18 - Card Lotto** - Columbia Convalescent Home - 7:00pm
- 06/21 - MidSummers Night Family Fest - tentative** - ICC, 6:30pm
- 07/04 - Fourth of July / Independence Day**
- 07/10 - General Membership Meeting** - 7:30pm
- 07/15 - Card Lotto** - Columbia Convalescent Home - 7:00pm

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The Knights sponsored a **family event at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows** on 4/6/14. Parish families enjoyed spending quality time together, making crafts, walking the Stations of the Cross, and eating Ted Drewes frozen custard. Thanks to **Nick Matrisotto, Ted Haney** and **Brian Repp** for leading this event as well as our other re-energized Family service programs.

The team is working on a **Social Night** on Friday, 5/2/14. This event is co-sponsored by the Knights and the ACTS team, and will include making pizzas and family games.

The **Family** team is attempting to source a fold-up **ping pong table** on wheels to be used at subsequent Knights' social events. Anyone having or knowing of the availability of such a table, please contact Nick Matrisotto at stlouisareamaps@aol.com.

We are rescheduling **Major Degree** ceremonies for Sunday, 10/12/14. If you know of anyone interested in becoming a Knight or if any fellow Knights desire to take the next step to attain their 2nd and/or 3rd Degrees, please mark your calendars. More information will be available as fall approaches.

We are approaching our annual **Council leadership election**. Anyone desiring to serve in an officer role, please contact me. We will post the slate of officer candidates for the next Council year in our May meeting, with voting planned for the June meeting.

Our Council's next **membership meeting** will be on 5/8/14. I look forward to seeing you there.

Vivat Jesus!
Bob Stadler
Grand Knight

Years of Continuous Service

Charles Hopkins	69
Robert L Byerley	45
Calvin W Fries	45
Ralph P Herrmann	45
William P Kilian	45
Thomas J Kish	45
Donald S Mehrmann	45
George R Naumann	45
Ronald T Raeber	45
Terry L Riebeling	45
William G Shaw	45
Daniel G Weilbacher	43
Albert G Kish	40
Larry F Laurent	36
Tom D Adams	29
Allyn J Konrad	29
Stanley John Waide	29
Thomas O Fohne	28
Herman J Bellm	26
Ronald C Ettlign	26
Mark A Funfsinn	25
Lawrence A Hanegan	25
Dennis A Krupp	25
Darrell G Miller	25
Paul M Thoma	25
Mark A Tisdale	22
Ryan R Hicks	16
Jason C Ettlign	13
Craig G Lundy	13
Kevin P Schmoll	13
Ernest R Schoellhorn	13
Ronald L Archambault	10
William M Raisch	10
Adam W Randle	10
Nicolas J Matrisotto	2
Christopher P Klingert	1

ALL ARE WELCOME TO THIS FREE, FUN, FAMILY EVENT.

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall-Lower Level of the New Immaculate Conception Church. Kids can make pizzas from scratch in the warming kitchen. Parents and Children can participate in the "Cornhole" Tournament. Soda, snacks and ice cream will also be available. **Friday May 2nd from 6:00pm-10:00pm**

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus & ACTS Committee

Mother's Day Event

Sunday May 11th, 2014 - Don't forget Moms eat Free at our **Annual Mother's Day Breakfast** in the ICC Garden Area from 8am - 11am. Make it a Great Start for Mother's Day.

Donations Welcome



Give the Gift of Life

Columbia KC Blood Drive Sunday May 18th, 2014

8:00am-1:00pm

ICC Lower Parking Lot (look for the Bus)

