#### COUNCIL 1098-ASSEMBLY 0224

#### DECEMBER 2012





Grand Knight John Haug, Sr.



Faithful Navigator David Cruse



Ladies Auxiliary President Nancy Diak



Columbus Home President Walter Bruch

#### **Dates to Remember**

- December 15—Kids Christmas Party in the am and Adult Party in the evening
- December 22— Honor Guard for 100th Anniversary St. Mary's

## Knight News

#### **A Word From the Grand Knight**

s the year winds down and another Thanksgiving Day passes it brings to mind a number of things that make me grateful. My wife Vickie and our families. Our jobs, friendly coworkers and neighbors. The great Priests and Parishioners in all of our Tri-Cities parishes. My Brother Knights, Ladies and their families and our common Catholic Faith which makes our organization and friendships possible. It is our active members and their ladies who work our bingos, pull tabs and other volunteer work that make others thankful for our organization:

- The ability to provide ACSA relief to our local parishes.
- The ability to provide substantial donations to our Catholic grade schools.
- Priesthood Sunday gifts and Christmas gifts to Seminarians.
- Hosting the Area 12 Special Olympics Dinner and Dance.
- Hosting the Catholic Grade schools 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation Dinner and Dance.
- Quarterly Communion Masses with meals and camaraderie following.
- The Memorial Day Mass at Calvary Catholic Cemetery.
- The Kid's and Adult Christmas Parties.
- Cash Christmas gifts to the children living at the Alton Catholic Children's Home.
- The Kid's Easter Egg Hunt and our

family picnic.

- Hosting the area K of C Spelling Bee and Free throw contest.
- Giving numerous worthwhile donations to various non-profit organizations in the community.
- Scholarships to Catholic Grade School and active member High School students.

As we move into another New Year I hope we can continue to work toward the common goal of aiding our churches, schools and community and have some fun along the way.

Keep in mind the Children's Christmas party Saturday morning December 15th starting at 10:00 am. We'll have snacks and entertainment and of course a visit from Santa so bring your cameras. Also come out to the adult Christmas party sponsored by the 4th degree that same day in the evening. Please sign up for these events in the Council room so we can plan accordingly.

Reminder that the 15th Annual Area 12 Special Olympics Dinner and Dance is February 2, 2013.

Don't forget the Ladies Auxiliary Sparkles and Sweets at the St. Elizabeth cafeteria December 8th. Homemade goodies and a variety of gift ideas just in time for the Christmas holidays.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Vickie and me.

Sincerely, John

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#### From the Faithful Navigator



rother Knights. . .I hope everyone had a happy Thanksgiving; my family and I did, although I think I cooked for one hundred people. Well Christmas is just around the corner and I hope we are all prepared for this Great celebration.

The adult Christmas Party will be Saturday, December 15, starting when you get there after Saturday evening mass. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm, with Jerry's doing the catering. I am trying to get some kind of music, and Joe and Jamie will hopefully be doing pictures like last year. Sign-ups will close December 11. All members and their significant others are invited. There is only ONE rule, if you sign-up, show up. Enough said!

December 22, St. Mary's in Madison will be celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at the 4:30 mass. The 4th Degree has been asked to provide and Honor Guard for the Bishop. There will be a dinner served after the mass. For anyone interested in attending the dinner a donation of \$5 has been requested.

Everyone let's get involved, and let's try to keep CHRIST in Christmas!!!!

Vivat Jesus, Dave Cruse

#### **Honoring Those Who Serve**

The 4th Degree Knights of Columbus would like to honor those family members who are so proudly serving in our national defense. Jeffery Bilyeu, SPC, Army, South Korea; David Breeden Jr., Sergeant, Hanscon AFB, MA; Lee Brown, Master Sergeant, Army, Ft. Hood Texas; Jon P. Connolly, Major, Marine Corps, MacDill AFB, FL; Nicki Connolly, Illinois National Guard; Scott Griffin, Sergeant, Army National Guard, USA; Zach Hay, Airman, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida; Evan Jones, 2nd Lt., Marine Corps, Camp Pendleton, CA; Stephani Luebben, Captain, Air Force, F.E. Warren AFB WY; Commander Michael A. Reed San Diego, CA; Brett Taylor, PFC, Army, Ft. Drum NY; Chris Wilbur, SPC, Army, Ft. Campbell, KY.



#### From the Financial Secretary

t's time for your 2013 dues. What else can you get for \$30? Yes, I said \$30—an increase from last year. If you participate in any of the events throughout the year you know that's a bargain. The 2013 notices will be mailed out December 7, 2012 and are due back by January 1, 2013. As always if you have a financial problem, please call myself or the Grand Knight; this will be kept confidential. If for some reason you do not want to continue being a member, please send me a signed note telling me the reason. Please give me any address and telephone changes.

I would like to congratulate our new Honorary members: Lawrence Hoffek and Kenneth Gattung.

Richard Haack, 931-5340

#### **KC Meeting Attendance/50-50 Winners & Losers**

#### October 23, 2012

Darren Williams won the 50/50 drawing and Ray Uram failed to win the attendance drawing.

#### November 13, 2012

Doc Stanton won the 50/50 drawing and Marv Weidemeier failed to win the attendance drawing.

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#### From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary

EACE ON EARTH – Ladies, its Advent season. Are you ready for the coming of Baby Jesus?

Thanks for a great attendance at the November meeting. We discussed many issues and you offered your opinions.

**Sparkles & Sweets** fundraiser will be December 8th, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, at St. Elizabeth Church Cafeteria. Ladies, please bring your 6 dozen cookies or cakes, cupcakes, breads, candies to the cafeteria on December 7th in the afternoon and evening. Please bring them in a disposable container. Come out to work or to buy!!! We have the Quilt Raffle, Basket Raffle, Auxiliary Craft Raffle Table, Jewelry and plenty of Peanut Brittle! Don't forget to bring in your Quilt Raffle tickets. Please keep selling them until time to turn them in at the sale.

**Catholic Charities Family**: Diane McIntyre reported on the family that was given to us. There are 3 children ages 6, 8 and 18 months. Due to the short time period to purchase gifts, it was voted to give Diane \$300 and she will buy the necessary items for that family.

**Dispensing of the Auxiliary Monies for this Year**: The ladies voted to give \$ 500 each to Good Samaritan House, Small Victories, Phoenix Crisis Center and to give Father Manny from St. Mary's \$500 for his trip back home for his studies.

**By-Laws**: The revision of certain by-law articles was discussed. Written requests to change certain areas were presented by Committee Chairperson, Maggie Groboski. Changes will be:

- To remove the word scholarship under article # 2.
- Article VI Term of office not to exceed (3) years. In the event that no other member chooses to fill a specific office, exceptions can be made with a majority vote of members in a regular meeting assembled and not exceed additional one year term.

- Article VII The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President. In certain circumstances, if the Vice President is unable to preside or prefers not to preside, a Past President may preside. The Vice President shall be responsible for sending sympathy and get well cards to members upon notification of such need.
- Article VIII The Guard/Social Hostess shall check all membership cards on members entering meetings and shall maintain order at all meetings and be responsible for refreshments.
- Article VIII Regular monthly meetings of the Ladies Auxiliary shall be held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The President may call special meetings at her discretion.

Ladies, please take time to review these changes and discuss among yourselves. We will vote on these at the next business meeting in February.

A suggestion to open up the Auxiliary Membership to more than just wives, mothers, daughters, and widows of members of Knights of Columbus Council 1098 was discussed and was voted down. The members' rules will stay the same.

KC Christmas Party will be on December 15th at 10:00 a.m. for the children and at 5:30 p.m. for the Adults. Any Lady who wishes to attend, please let an officer be aware so we can let the Knights know.

Auxiliary Christmas Party will be in January. Your invitation will come in mail after the Holidays.

Remember no meeting in December. January will be our Christmas party and the next business meeting will be in February.

BLESSED CHRISTMAS TO ALL

Nancy Diak

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### **Tootsie Roll Drive Workers**

**Thanks** !





Pictures submitted by Bob Palus.





**Mass and Priesthood Sunday** 











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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Rotter/Gray Bingo Team	Columbus Home Meeting 7:00 pm	KC Business / Social Meeting 7:30 pm		5th Degree Workday	Petty Bingo Team	Kids Christmas Party
						Adult Christmas Party
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Softball Bingo Team		4th Degree Meeting 7:30 pm		5th Degree Workday	Friedel Bingo Team	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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	KC Hall	Closed				
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Cauble Bingo Team	New Year's Eve					
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