



# Knight News

## A Word From the Grand Knight



Grand Knight  
Lawrence Ruder



Faithful Navigator  
David Cruse



Ladies Auxiliary  
President Nancy Diak



Columbus Home  
President Walter Bruch

**E**aster is around the corner. Please don't forget it is one of the holiest days of the year. Holy Week is when we celebrate and thank Jesus for what he did to save our souls.

March was the K of C membership drive month. Our membership chairman Gary Wilbur and his committee placed an article in the parish bulletins listing some of our Council's donations and good works. They also invited all Catholic men over 18 to seriously consider joining our organization. Our membership roll has declined in the past several years and we need new members to ensure that these good works can continue.

As reported last month, due to the slow down in revenue and increased expenses, we reduced the monies our Council donated to the parishes this year. The parishes, that we attend, will need to raise this amount from other sources. Please remember the parishioners are the other source.

The Ladies Auxiliary will again host our Kid's Annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 19. Look in the Ladies Auxiliary section of this newsletter for more details. Thank you, Ladies.

The St. Elizabeth and Holy Family 8th grade graduates, their parents and school staff are again invited to our council-sponsored annual dinner dance. Paul Mills is this year's chairman and he will send the information to the parish schools.

The Annual State K of C Convention will be held April 25-April 27. As always, our Council will pay for our members' Ladies Luncheon and the Banquet dinner for those attending the convention. It will be held in Springfield, IL at the Hilton Hotel. All information is posted on the bulletin board in the Council room. Reservations must be in by April 3rd. All members are invited to attend.

The Ladies Auxiliary's Rummage sale will be April 4th and April 5th in the gym. If you have any items you wish to donate, please bring them to the Ladies Auxiliary room on March 31 or on April 3 to the gym. Please help the Ladies out with their fundraiser. We always appreciate their help with some of our endeavors.

Bob Palus, our kids Free Throw contest chairman, reported that there were 125 contestants. We had 10 winners in our Council's shoot out. Of those, 6 shooters were able to attend the District shoot out. At the District, we had 4 winners -1st place in boys Lawson Kimble (9), and Spencer Barnett (11), 2nd place in girls Ellie Wiehardt (11) and Savannah Holthaus (14). Spencer Barnett came in 2nd at the Regional. Thank you Bob for your hard work on this event.

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### Dates to Remember

- **April 3 & 4 – Ladies' Auxiliary Rummage Sale**
- **April 19 – Kids Easter Egg Hunt**
- **April 19 – Santa Maria Lounge Entertainment**
- **April 25-27– K of C State Convention**

## From the Faithful Navigator

No Report.



## 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; Lee Brown, Master Sergeant, Army, Ft. Hood Texas; Jon P. Connolly, Major, Marine Corps, MacDill AFB, Florida; Nicki Connolly, Pvt. 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. Benning, GA.



## From the Financial Secretary

**C**ongratulations to John Waller who became an Honorary Life member in January. We now have 498 members, 14 Honorary, and 78 Honorary Life. We still have 29 members who have not paid their dues, and you know who you are. Please send in your dues or a note telling me you do not want to be a member any more. I want to thank everyone who has paid their dues timely. It makes my job so much easier. If you have dropped your land telephone line, please send me your cell phone number for our records. Thank you.

Richard Haack, 931-5340

## From the Scholarship Chairman

**S**cholarships are offered to Council 1098 or Assembly 0224 children or grandchildren only and are available until March 4th. The postmarked deadline for both of these scholarships is Friday, April 11, 2014. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. **Sponsoring members must be active and must have one consecutive year of membership in good standing prior to the date of the scholarship deadline.**

Andy Yurko, Chairman

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

**February 25, 2014**

Bob Pare won the 50/50 drawing and Joe Rojas failed to win the attendance drawing.

**March 11, 2014**

Elmer Long won the 50/50 drawing and Rich Horbelt failed to win the attendance drawing.

## From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary

**C**ONGRATULATIONS ASSEMBLY 0224 on your 100 year Anniversary. Thanks to all our worthy Knights for promoting Father McGivney's Mission to the Tri-City area.

Ladies, we again discussed the possibility of moving the annual January Christmas party to July, the anniversary of our Charter. The Ladies could not come to an agreement. Please discern on this. We will make a resolution at the June meeting. You need to think about these two things: when to have the party and where to have it (to continue at Ravanelli's or choose someplace else).

By time most of you receive this newsletter, the Rummage Sale (April 4 and 5) will be over. Thank you to all who volunteered your services and time for this fundraiser. If you receive this letter prior to April 4th, please bring your items, marked with a price to the Auxiliary Room March 31 and contact Pat Alsop or Jan Polach to volunteer to help.

The Easter Egg Hunt is April 19th at 10:00 am. Please sign up in the council room if you plan to attend with children. Contact Linda Reish if can volunteer or have questions about the event. Please come early to the next meeting to help fill the eggs.

The State Convention is April 25, 26, and 27 at the Springfield Hilton Hotel. The Ladies Luncheon is April 26. Please contact me if you want to get together for the drive up to Springfield. I have the Luncheon Menu Form to fill out and mail.

**Please check your blue membership card; all membership cards need to be updated.**

**It is time for membership dues.** If you have not paid your dues, please do so. If for any reason there is a financial hardship, please contact the leadership team and we will work with you.

At the next meeting we will discuss new officers. Voting will be in May.

BLESSED EASTER TO ALL!!!

Nancy Diak

## GK Continued:

The Scholarship applications are due April 11th. They are for 8th grade graduates going to a Catholic high school and high school graduates going on to college. Applications are available from Andy Yurko, Larry Ruder, or at the K of C Lounge.

The checks totaling about \$3,500 raised by the Tootsie Roll Drive were distributed in March to Parents for Special Education, Tri-City Area Association for the Handicapped, New Opportunities, Special Olympics Area 12, and Explorer Post 612. Thanks again to those who helped.

In the past, our Council sold raffle books for Council 364 BBQ in Springfield. We will have the raffle books available at the meeting for those who would like to buy one or more. Our Council gets a share of each booklet sold which gives us an opportunity to raise a couple of dollars. This is a different raffle than the Vocation Raffle book sold late in the year.

Sad news: Bob Kurilla passed away on February 24. Please pray for his soul. He will be missed. Also, please pray for all our members who are in the hospital, in rehab, or recovering from illnesses at home.

See you in Church,

Larry Ruder

## From the Columbus Home Association

**G**et ready to gear-up and put on the brakes at the **Santa Maria Lounge** on **April 19th**. We are having **David Graham**, a comedian from **Comedy Central**. **Tom Shelton** will be the opening act. Starting time is 8:00 p.m. This event is open to the public and with no cover charge. It may be wise to get there early as seating will be limited.

At the February 2014 Council Social Meeting, we conducted our annual "Columbus Home" meeting. The President's report was provided which covered the year 2013. The annual financial report was provided by the Treasurer and elections were held. The new officers are: President Walt Bruch, Vice President Tim Grimes, Treasurer Ron Reish, Secretary Jim Alsop, and Board Members Jim Rotter (reelected), Ron Jachino, and Brian Kelly (newly elected). If you were unable to attend the meeting and have an interest as to the proceeding, I would be glad to accommodate a request for an update.

Walt Bruch, President

## Fourth Degree 100 Year Anniversary Party



**District Free Throw Contestants.**  
**Congratulations to all the youth who participated.**



# APRIL 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 April Fool's Day	2	3 5th Degree Workday	4 Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team 452-6041	5
6 Schuler Bingo Team 558-3043	7 Columbus Home Meeting 7:00 pm	8 KC Business Meeting 7:30 pm	9	10 5th Degree Workday	11 Petty Bingo Team 877-3584	12
13 Gray Bingo Team 709-3970  PALM SUNDAY	14	15 4th Degree Meeting 7:30 pm  Ladies Auxiliary 7:00 pm	16	17 5th Degree Workday	18 Friedel Bingo Team 876-5109  Good Friday	19  KC KIDS EASTER EGG HUNT  David Graham in the Santa Maria Lounge
20  EASTER Softball Bingo Team 451-8988 Newsletter Items Due	21	22 KC Social Meeting 7:30 pm	23	24 5th Degree Workday	25 Dillier Bingo Team 452-8041	26
27 Cauble Bingo Team 877-4542	28	29	30			

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