

Knight News

Granite City Council 1098 – Assembly 0224

December 2017



Grand Knight
Dwayne Saul



Faithful Navigator
Elmer Long



Ladies Auxiliary
President
Cheryl Moe



Columbus Home
President
Jerry Lilley

A Word From the Grand Knight

Welcome Brother Knights,

I hope everyone had an awesome Thanksgiving full of family and friends. As we enter into this advent season, keeping Christ in Christmas is ever more important. Prayers should continue to go out to our brothers from Texas, Florida, Mexico, Puerto Rico and California. From flooding, earth quacks, and wild fires this year, keeping Christ in Christmas and prayer is so important.

Last of October brought us Priesthood Sunday. The council and I were very happy to be able to hand our three (3) dedicated priests a check. This was just a token to show them how important they are to us and their community.

November I was able to deliver two (2) cases of new coats to Catholic Charities. Christina Cheers-MedAssist Advocate accepted the coats from myself, Zack White (Deputy Grand Knight) and daughter Abby. (See picture insert). These coats will go to some much needed young children which should bring a smile to every brother knight in this council. This comes from the money raised from our bingo, the same bingo that again is in serious help for more volunteers. If you are reading this email, we are looking and needing help. Please try to help if you can. One Friday or Sunday a month is all we are asking.

December 16th will be the children's Christmas party, followed by the adult party in the evening. The children's party, doors will open 10am with snacks and special entertainment and a special visit for Santa for all young and old. Please sign-up in the council room to be counted and enjoy the day with all of us. After the children's party there will be a group of dedicated men, women and children heading to the Alton Children's home. This group gives smiles to the kids that have so little, please consider on going, all are invited.

Please keep the families of Brothers Dick Werths and Brother Rich Scharf in your prayers. Both passed away this month, and may the souls of our dearly departed brothers rest in eternal peace.

Finally, I want to wish everyone a blessed and holy Merry Christmas and safe and enjoyable New Years.

Fraternally,

Grand Knight, Dwayne Saul

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KC Meeting Attendance/50-50 Winners and Losers

October 24: Joe Schmedake won the 50-50 and Lester White won the attendance drawing.

November 14: Mark Yelling won the 50-50 and Ron Reish won the attendance drawing.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec 1 and 3 – Sparkles and Sweets; Sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary; Items for sale before, during and after bingo

Dec 16 – Children's Christmas Party – 10am; Alton Children's Home Visit – 1:00pm; Adult Christmas Party-5:30pm

Dec 19 – Ladies Auxiliary Meeting cancelled

Dec 26 – 3rd Degree Social meeting cancelled

Dec 31 – 5th Sunday Bingo (see below for information)

Dec 31 - New Year's Eve Party - 8:00pm in the KC Hall Lounge

Important Bingo News

On Dec 31 we have an extra 5th Sunday Bingo this year. The Bingo will be sponsored by 4th Degree. We rely heavily on volunteers to cover this extra Bingo. If you are available to help us that night, please contact Paul Hellrich at 618-407-3011 so that he will know how many volunteers to expect. There will be a New Year's Eve Party in the Lounge after Bingo concludes.

On Dec 29, there is a 5th Friday Bingo sponsored by Hutson/Levy Bingo Team

From the Faithful Navigator

In the meeting, we decided to loan the trailer to Holy Family School, because there float had a mechanical problem. We also discussed the upcoming KC Christmas party. The Children's party will be handled by Zach White with all the party favors, including Santa. It will begin at 10 a.m. The Adult party will commence at 5:30 p.m. We will eat beginning at 6 p.m. Music will be provided by The Dave Hylla Band. In between the time before the Adult Party, we will take the goodies to The Alton Children's Home. Anyone who would like to go be ready to go around 1 p.m. We will leave from the KC Hall. The date for both parties is Dec.16th. There will be a need for volunteers for the New Year's Bingo on Dec. 31st. As many volunteers as possible please be there.

Before closing our meetings the Knights recite a prayer for military personal around the world and to St. Michael the Archangel Patron Saint for all Police Officers.

May God bless the Tri Cities Knights of Columbus.

May Saint Michael the Archangel Defend us in our Travail.

Elmer Long

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. E-4 Nolan Yehling, US Air Force stationed at Qatar, nephew of Paul Yehling and Grandson of Mark Yehling

From the Financial Secretary

I hope everyone is ready for the up-coming seasons and this finds you well. Our membership stands at 456 with 10 Honorary members and 76 Honorable Life members.

We received several donations for the tootsie roll ID Drive and several vocation raffle booklets returned at the last minute therefore the final report of total donations raised will have to be reported after the November bank deposit, again thank everyone who helped.

As noted in the past newsletter statements for 2018 dues are being handed out at meetings. Please attend a meeting and pick up your statement. Statements not picked up will be mailed after the business meeting in December. Please help us save money by picking up your statement of dues payable.

Please cut out and post the following near your calendar. A lot is going on over the next several weeks.

December 16, Saturday Christmas Party, Youth and Adults

- Youth - All youth of members invited.
 - 10:00 AM - Doors open; 11:00 AM lunch and visit with Santa Clause
- Adult - All members with family, Ladies Auxiliary and widows of members invited
 - 5:30 PM Doors open; 6:00PM Dinner

December 24, Sunday (Christmas Eve)

- Building Closed and Bingo Cancelled

December 25, Monday (Christmas Day)

- Building Closed and Bingo Cancelled

December 26, Tuesday

- 3rd Degree Social Meeting Cancelled

December 31, Sunday (New Year's Eve)

- 5th Sunday Communion Mass and Breakfast cancelled
- Building Open; 5th Sunday Bingo operated by volunteers or Team Schuler (**with party to follow in lounge**)

January 1, Monday (New Year's Day)

- Building open

Again best to all, as the Christmas season is upon us, please remember to keep Christ in Christmas.

Paul Hellrich

From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary

We will be doing our annual Sparkles and Sweets the first weekend of December - Friday, December 1 and Sunday, December 3. We need your home-made sweets. Cookies, pies, candy, you name it, we need it. Please bring them to the Hall on Friday, December 1. We will set up in the lobby and sell the sweets during bingo as well as before and after. If you are strapped for time and cannot make sweets this year, we are asking for you to make a \$20 donation.

We tried something new at our November meeting. We played a version of Win, Lose, and Draw. I think it went pretty well, people were laughing. You will have come to our meetings to see what we have in store for you in the future.

Our Christmas Party will be on January 16, 2018 – mark your calendar. We will meet at Ravanelli's. Look for your invite letter towards the end of December, first part of January.

We will not have a meeting in December and of course, our January meeting will be the Christmas Party. Our next official meeting will be in February.

I would like to wish each and every one of you a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. May God bless you and your family each and every day.

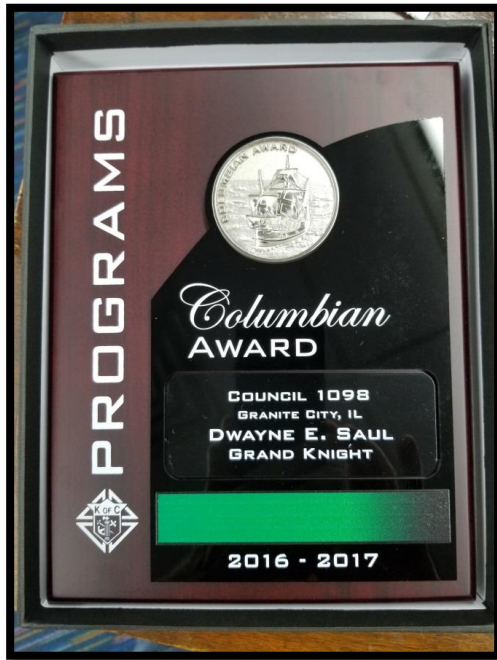
Cheryl Moe

Columbus Home New Year's Eve Party

On Sunday, December 31, Columbus Home will sponsor a New Year's Eve Party. The party will start at 8:00pm. Columbus Home will provide munchies, party favors, music by Scott and Michelle Smith, and a midnight Champaign Toast. Bring your snacks (optional) and join us for an evening of music and friendship.

Picture Gallery

Columbian Award



Catholic Charities Coat Donation



Halloween Party / Pictures by Phil Achenbach





Calendar for Granite City Council 1098

December 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Wilbur/Alsop Bingo Team 452-6041 Sparkles & Sweets at Bingo	2
3 Schuler Bingo Team 558-3043 Sparkles & Sweets at Bingo	4	5	6	7 5 th Degree Workday Granite City Zoning Committee Meeting 7:00pm (if possible, please attend)	8 Dan Saul Bingo Team 798-0537	9
10 Gray Bingo Team 709-3970	11 Columbus Home Meeting 7:00pm	12 KC Business Meeting 7:30pm	13	14 5 th Degree Workday	15 Friedel Bingo Team 876-5109	16 Children's Christmas Party 10am Children's Home Visit 1pm Adult Christmas Party 5:30pm
17 Softball Bingo Team 451-8988	18	19 4 th Degree Meeting 7:30pm Ladies Aux Mtg Cancelled	20	21 5 th Degree Workday	22 Hutson/Levy Bingo Team 973-5459 or 971-9817	23 January Newsletter Items Due
24 Bingo Cancelled	25 Merry Christmas Bingo Cancelled	26 KC Social Meeting Cancelled	27	28 5 th Degree Workday	29 Hutson/Levy Bingo Team 973-5459 or 971-9817	30
31 4 th Degree Bingo (need volunteers) call Paul Hellrich 407-3011 KC New Years Eve Party 8pm	NOTE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We need as many members as possible to attend the zoning committee meeting scheduled in the conference room on the second floor of City Hall on December 7 at 7:00pm Don't forget the Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Party at Ravanelli's on January 16, 2018 					

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